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HOTEL INCIDENT.

TELEPATHIST IN COURT.

DIDN'T LIKE JAZZ.

Professor Maximilian Langsner, the telepathist, appeared before Mr. R. E. Lindell, at the Central Police Court this morning, as the defendant in a summons for assault preferred by a head-boy of the Hongkong Hotel, and, in describing what happened in the grill-room on the evening of the 20th instant, admitted that he lost his temper on account of being subjected to what he termed as "Bolshovik" treatment. Incidentally, the Professor revealed his abhorrence of jazz music which had caused him to ask for a special seating position, far away from the orchestra, and shown to have been the origin of the "incident" in question. After a somewhat prolonged hearing, the case had to be adjourned to enable the Professor to bring his own witnesses.

Mr. R. A. Wadsworth, of Messrs. Deacons, appeared for the head-boy, Lee Wai, whilst Professor Langsner conducted his own case.

In giving a brief outline of the case, after dealing with the allegation of assault, Mr. Wadsworth said that the Professor made an offer for compensation but afterwards withdrew it. The authorities of the Hotel then felt that the matter was out of their hands and that the boy must take his own measures.

BOY'S STORY.

Lee Wai, in evidence, said that on the evening of the 20th the defendant came into the dining room with a friend, and the table he took was not the one which was previously arranged for. He was handed the order chit book and a pencil, but, after taking one look at witness's face, he threw them to the ground. Again the book and pencil were offered to the Professor and again he threw them to the ground. Being ordered repeatedly "to go away," witness walked out on to the verandah. Whilst seated on a chair, and without any warning whatsoever, witness was struck by the Professor in the chest, and he fell backwards.

A \$60 BLOW.

Witness made a report to the Manager and at an interview between the latter and the Professor, witness was given to understand that the Professor was willing to pay compensation of \$5. This was refused witness preferring to see a doctor. He was now under treatment by a native physician, who had undertaken to cure the hurt for \$60.

The Magistrate:—One blow in the chest cost \$60?
Witness:—That is what the physician demands.

And you agreed to pay it?—Yes.
His Worship:—You are hopeless.
Witness:—I was given several doses of medicine and other medicine for local treatment of the injury.

In reply to further questions, witness said he had been thirty-five years in the service of the Hongkong Hotel Company and had never had a complaint made against him. He worked continuously during the period of the strike of last year.

PUSHING BOYS ABOUT.

In putting his questions to the witness, Professor Langsner asked if a person could be furnished for his putting out his hand and pushing the witness to the ground, as if he was, here to push boys about, the Professor added:

Witness, who had this question put to him, said he could find no reason for this act. He had offered the order book and pencil after saying that it was "all right" for the Professor to take that particular table.

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SEARCH FOR HIDDEN ARTICLE.

TO TAKE PLACE THIS EVENING.

TASK FOR PROFESSOR.

Professor Langsner, the noted telepathist, is this evening to set out to accomplish the task set him by the Hongkong Telegraph—namely, the discovery of a hidden article, without having been given the least clue as to its whereabouts.

For the purposes of the test a small committee has been formed, comprising Mr. D. H. Cameron, head of the Standard Oil Co. in Hongkong; Mr. C. D. Melbourne, Deputy Registrar of the Supreme Court; and Mr. F. P. Franklin, manager of the Hongkong Telegraph. None of these gentlemen has ever seen the Professor, and after the article has been hidden, they will meet him for the first time this evening, at the offices of the Telegraph. This is for the purpose, the Professor says, of getting into telepathic communication with the members of the Committee; and no conversation will take place between him and them. The Committee members may or may not accompany the Professor on his search, just as they please.

It should be explained that the selection of the article and the choice of the spot where it will be hidden will be left entirely to Mr. Cameron and Mr. Melbourne. Mr. Franklin will accompany them when they go to hide it, and will remain in their company until all three meet the Professor. In this way, the possibility of collusion will be entirely ruled out.

Professor Langsner will leave our offices on his quest somewhere between 4.15 and 4.30 p.m., and will return later, so he says, with the hidden article.

OPIUM POSSESSION.

WOMAN HEAVILY FINED.

Charged before Mr. R. E. Lindell, this morning, with being in possession of 52 taels of prepared and 28 taels of raw opium, which were found at No. 20 Tai-pingshan, during a Revenue Department raid, two Chinese women said that the drug was left in their charge by a seaman, who, however, failed to return for it.

The first woman claiming the whole responsibility of the case, G. P. O. Clarke withdrew the charge against the second defendant, for whom Mr. W. B. Hind appeared. Mr. R. E. Lindell:—Is that satisfactory to you, Mr. Hind?
Mr. Hind:—Yes. Fines aggregating \$2,250, or alternatively, a total of eight months' hard labour, were inflicted on the other woman.

THE RECENT FLOODS.

WEST RIVER DISTRICTS AFFECTED.

Owing to the recent heavy rains, the West River has overflowed in several places. A report from Kwo Ming gives tolls of great disasters. At Sheung Pak Hawk, Sut Ling, and its vicinities, the embankments have given way, and the waters have spread to many villages and markets, rendering thousands of inhabitants homeless.

The local authorities have telegraphed to the Canton Government and charitable institutions for immediate relief.

COBHAM'S PROGRESS.

ARRIVAL AT RANGOON.

Rangoon, July 25.
Alan Cobham has arrived here. —Reuters

INFORMER'S STORY.

ATTACK ON KOWLOON GARDENER.

THREE MEN CHARGED.

How an alleged attempt by a Chinese to obtain revenge against a gardener was turned into a more serious case of robbery was related before the Police Judge, Mr. Justice Wood, in the Supreme Court this morning, when the Criminal Sessions opened, and three men were charged. Li Sang and Chan Sin were charged with robbing a Chinese of a watch, ring, pen-knife, and a belt, and Chan Po was charged with receiving the watch, knowing it to have been stolen. All pleaded not guilty. Mr. H. K. Holmes prosecuted for the Crown, and Mr. H. G. Sheldon appeared for the first defendant, Li Sang.

In outlining the case, Mr. Holmes said the men committed the robbery working as a gang. With regard to No. 3, the jury might find that he was not a participant in the robbery but received the watch. The owner of the goods was a Chinese gardener, and lived at Chater's Bungalow in Kowloon. That was near the intersection of Nathan Road and Austin Road.

HUT ENTERED.

A little after 9 a.m. on June 23rd, the gardener was lying down in his hut smoking opium. The door was then closed, but it was later opened and two men entered. The second defendant was the first to enter, and he said to the gardener: "We are policemen, and we have come to search for opium." The gardener was told to get up, which he did, and he was then made to open a box on which his head had been resting, after which the two men, the third not being in the hut, seized the contents on the ground. Then the second defendant said: "Don't let him run away," and No. 1 seized him. No. 2 then took some rope from off a bucket, which was used for drawing water from a well, and with that rope the two tied the gardener up.

The rope was tied round his neck, and his wrists were fastened. While this was being done, No. 2 removed the belt, which contained the articles mentioned in the charge. No. 2, having possessed himself of the belt, ran off, followed by the first defendant.

PORTUGUESE HELPS.

The gardener ran down into Austin Road calling for help, and it so happened that Mr. Braga was walking along Austin Road at the time and he would say that he saw two men going in the direction of Nathan Road. The gardener spoke to Mr. Braga, who could speak Chinese, and in consequence of what he was told him, Mr. Braga ran after the men. Being unable to overtake them, however, he turned back, and released the gardener from the rope tied round his wrists.

The first defendant was arrested in Shanghai Street, Mong Kok Tsui the following day, and he was later paraded for identification, when he was recognised. The second man was caught in a match shed in Stubbs Road on July 3rd, and the third was taken into custody in a tea house at Sham-shui-po.

IMPORTANT EVIDENCE.

Continuing, Mr. Holmes said a witness would be called who gave certain information to the police. He did not wish to enlarge on it at the moment, but from the Crown point of view his evidence amounted to this—that he had some grudge against the gardener, and he suggested to one of these men that he would like to have his revenge. It might or might not have been mentioned that the gardener had any money. It was more a matter of inference than anything else, but it was the Crown case that that idea was changed to robbery instead of revenge. The case is proceeding.

NAVAL VOLUNTEER MOVEMENT.

SUGGESTED CORPS FOR MALAYA.

FOUR SUB-DIVISIONS.

The formation of a Royal Volunteer Reserve Unit for Malaya is under consideration, writes the Telegraph's Singapore correspondent. At present the scheme is only in the stage of the Government wishing to ascertain whether the response will be sufficient to warrant the expense incurred in preparing and developing it, but with the usual tendency to take up anything new it is quite likely that the response will be good.

It is proposed to form sub-divisions at Singapore, Seremban, Port Swettenham and Penang, and if it is decided to proceed with the scheme it is hoped that training will start early next year.

Those who join will be entered as "Temporary Acting Sub-Lieutenants, R. N. V. R." Volunteers may elect to serve either at sea, wherever required; at sea, but in Malayan waters only; on shore wherever required; on shore locally; either at sea or ashore, as required by the Naval authorities.

MAY CLASH WITH VOLUNTEERS.

While the scheme looks attractive enough, there are those who think it would clash seriously with the existing Volunteer Corps. It is notified that arrangements for the transfer of serving volunteers to the Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve have been approved, and it is possible that many who may be a little tired of the humdrum routine of military parades in peacetime may be anxious to try the new experiment of volunteering on the ocean wave.

There is also the fact that the new generation of young men—the youngsters who have come out since the war—do not display any very acute desire to show their patriotism by service in the Volunteers. A good many of them decline to have anything to do with it, and it is left to the old hands—ex-Servicemen and those whose volunteering days date from before the war—to carry on. It is a painfully evident fact that recruiting for the volunteers is by no means as brisk as it might be.

SERVICE IN THE EAST.

There are many who think that the best form of service in these Eastern colonies is as infantrymen in the Volunteers. They are the men who would be most useful in the event of any local disturbance. The tendency to have all kinds of fancy units is rather to be deprecated, and although all would bear their part in any trouble occurred it is obvious that those trained as infantrymen pure and simple—without any of the frills, medals or otherwise—would be the most use.

It is a pretty general opinion among the oldtimers that all these special branches like cavalry, air and marine are best left to the men who make the set things their business in life. Meanwhile it will be interesting to see what response there is to the Naval Volunteer suggestion.

AMERICAN TRAGEDY.

CROWDED BRIDGE COLLAPSES.

New York, July 25.
A message from Whitesville, West Virginia says that five were killed and 40 injured by the collapse of a bridge under the weight of 300 people watching a night carnival on the Coal River. —Reuters American Service.

PAPERS CEASE.

PRESS DISPUTE IN CANTON.

TOO MUCH CENSORSHIP.

Except the *Min Kuo Yih Pao* and the *Kuo Min Sen Wen*, which are said to be subsidised by the Kuomintang Party, all newspapers in Canton, about 30 in number, have suspended publications since Saturday, on account of labour and political difficulties. The direct cause of the suspension of publications is that the printing staff of the *Seventy-two Guilds Commercial Journal*, the "doyen" of Canton newspapers for the time being, would not work without a minimum wage of \$21 monthly whilst the workers on the *Yin Chiang Pao*, another well-known publication, deserted on account of the publication of a recent report unfavourable to the Kuomintang Workers' Conference, with which, they were affiliated.

ASSOCIATION ACTS.

After considering the whole matter, the Canton Press Association, an organisation controlling practically all the leading newspapers in the Southern capital, announced that all publications under its sphere of influence would temporarily suspend issue and that the salaries of their staffs would be stopped for the time being. All workmen were ordered to leave the premises of the newspapers immediately. The primary cause for this drastic action is said to be unreasonable demands for higher wages, and better service conditions, whilst recent actions on the part of the Kuomintang and its subsidiary organs in practically denying the freedom of the Press and the rights of the publishers are also said to be contributing factors.

GOVERNMENT CONTROL.

For some time past under one pretext or another—mostly military and anti-imperialist—publications in Canton have been subjected to rigid military and police censorship. The censors are said to have gone beyond the prohibition of certain matters, even to the extent of dictating what should be said. Communiques and "copy" from the Kuomintang and its many affiliated organs and branches have been ordered pre-emptive over other matter, and these prepared statements for the Press have generally been useless as news as they gave only one side of the case. In addition to the constant fear of being molested by military and police authorities, Canton news-papers are subsidised by the Kuomintang or owned by a particular Labour Union have been liable to the raids by Union pickets.

Lately the most interesting news for the public was "killed" through prohibition of publication except on the form provided by the Government in the release of communiques dealing with the Northern Expedition, and the Canton-Hongkong negotiations for the settlement of the boycott. Canton journalists, while believing that official action may sometimes be necessary, nevertheless feel that the public, by whose sentiment and support the Government claims its power, should be taken into full confidence, and that certain news should not, as hitherto, be entirely suppressed.

ABSURD DEMANDS.

Some little time ago, the principal Canton newspapers were to have raised their prices to five cents a copy or one dollar a month, but the newsboys and dealers, backed by powerful parties, refused to handle the papers except at the original price. Moreover, the newsboys and dealers made counter proposals, requiring all newspaper proprietors to subsidise their papers. (Continued from Page 1)

FIFTEEN KILLED AND WOUNDED.

TRAGEDY ON A B. I. STEAMER.

A MAD PASSENGER.

News of a ghastly tragedy which occurred on the B. I. steamer Teesta, while on her regular voyage from the Straits to Negapatnam, was received in Singapore last week.

On July 4, three days after the steamer left Singapore—she called subsequently at Port Swettenham and Penang—an Indian deck passenger named Kangoradam, who joined the ship at P. Swettenham, and who had been admitted to the ship's hospital, suddenly became violently insane. Seizing a clasp knife he first attacked a hospital attendant named Thopas and so severely wounded him in the left upper arm that he subsequently died. The madman then encountered a cook named Matarsah Rowther on his way to the hospital with food. The cook was stabbed in the chest and died almost immediately.

Kangoradam then ran on to one of the tween decks, stabbing and slashing about with the knife at anybody whom he encountered, and it was not until he had wounded thirteen other passengers that he was secured by members of the crew and placed in irons.

A message from Madras dated July 9 states that Kangoradam ran amok on Sunday, probably owing to a delicious fit, and stabbed and killed Madarsah and Thopas, the ship's cook and sweeper, and wounded 13 persons.

A woman, whose husband was being attacked, fainted and disarmed him.

Kangoradam was taken into custody by the Negapatnam Police from the steamer.

CANTON PRISONERS.

WU TE-CHEN NOT RELEASED.

In the last few months General Chiang Kai-shek has taken into military custody a number of fairly well-known Canton residents and also a few prominent officials, but before his departure for the North he apparently intends to dispose of some of these cases.

During the last few days there have been a number of military executions and the release of quite a number of those imprisoned upon payment of fines of anything from \$12,000 upwards.

Mr. Sun Fo, son of the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen, is said to be working for the release of General Wu Te-chun. According to a report, he advised Mrs. Wu Te-chun to see General Chiang on July 23rd, but so far General Wu is still in prison. The latest report says that he may be released on payment of \$300,000.

DYSENTERY IN MANILA.

MANY NEW CASES.

Dysentery is spreading in Manila. In 48 hours last week, health service officials discovered 23 new cases and three deaths. In the same period, the service also listed four new typhoid cases, no deaths; three new malaria cases, two deaths; a diphtheria case, a death; two influenza deaths; and 14 new tuberculosis cases, 11 deaths.

A number of dysentery cases also have been reported from the municipality of Pasay, Rizal health service and city officials, it is understood, have started a vigorous campaign to check the rapid spread of the disease, giving special attention to house-to-house inspection and compulsory hospitalization.

TO NEW HANDS.

TRANSFER OF U. S. FREIGHTERS.

DEFINITE STATEMENT.

The West Sequana, one of the eight United States Shipping Board freighters now being operated out of San Francisco by Struthers and Barry, will be the first of the freighters to be turned over to Swayne and Hoyt, San Francisco operators. The West Sequana is scheduled to leave San Francisco for Manila on August 24, under the operation of Swayne and Hoyt.

EIGHT TRANSFERRED.

Confirmation of the transfer of the eight Shipping Board freighters comprising the American Far East Line to Swayne and Hoyt, has been received in Manila by Messrs. L. Everett, Inc., who represent Struthers and Barry in Manila. The freighters are the West Chopaka, West Farolan, West Cajoot, West Sequana, West Prospect, West Ivan, West Carmona and the Elkridge. The West Cajoot, which is scheduled to leave San Francisco for Manila on August 9, will be the last of the eight freighters to be operated by Struthers and Barry. All of the ships reaching San Francisco after that date, will make their next trip under the operation of Swayne and Hoyt.

Struthers and Barry, however, will continue to run the four Shipping Board tankers. These tankers will be the only ships operated on the Pacific run by that firm. They are the Menton, the Stockton, the Dilworth and the Salina.

BIG FIRM.

Swayne and Hoyt are considered to be one of the strongest shipping firms on the Pacific coast. At the present time the firm operates seven Shipping Board freighters on the Pacific Australia run. The American Far East Line, operated by Struthers and Barry, when in the hands of Swayne and Hoyt, will be combined with the Pacific-Australia line. L. Everett, Inc., who have been the Philippine agents for the Pacific-Australia line will continue to be the agents of the American Far East Line.

In addition to these two lines, the Swayne and Hoyt organization are operating American boats from the western Pacific coast to South America and the transfer of the American Far East Line to their control, will make them one of the largest operators of ships out of the Pacific coast.

TRANSFER EXPLAINED.

Shipping Board officials explained the transfer on the grounds that Swayne and Hoyt demonstrated greater efficiency and economy on the Australian run, than Struthers and Barry in the operation of the service in the Orient. However it is believed that Mr. T. V. O'Connor, Chairman of the Shipping Board, merely followed out the policy established by Admiral Palmer, who was head of the Emergency Fleet Corporation in 1924-1925, in combining lines to reduce expenditure in operation. Struthers and Barry protested the transfer, insisting that they could demonstrate the error in the reasons given for the transfer to Swayne and Hoyt.

The rainfall for the 24 hours ended at 10 a.m. to-day was 0.66 inch. The forecast up to noon to-morrow is:—South-east winds, moderate; overcast, occasional rain.

A police woman sentenced to six months' hard labour at the Central Magistracy on Saturday for stealing a rope from a Taiyo Maru. It was stated that the cable line which was hanging alongside the steamer "for the guidance of" launches coming alongside.

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BOYCOTT CONFERENCE ADJOURNED.

BRITISH OFFICIAL REPORTS.

The British delegation to the Boycott Conference returned to the Colony on Saturday and following their arrival a British communiqué was issued which reports the concluding meetings of the Conference, which is adjourned *sine die* for the respective Governments to be consulted.

They show that the British delegation rejected in emphatic terms the suggestion that strikers be paid compensation. The delegates pointed out objections to a commission of enquiry into the Shakes incident after such a long interval, and indicated the good will of Hongkong in proposing a loan for further railway construction and the development of Whampoa. The figure the delegates had in mind was \$10,000,000.

Following is the text of the British reports issued:

"The conference for the settlement of Chinese-British disputes in the Liang-Kuang resumed its sittings on Monday, the 19th July, when the British delegation replied to the statement of the Chinese delegation on the origin of the anti-British boycott. The Conference adjourned until Wednesday, the 21st July.

The conference resumed its sittings on Wednesday, the 21st July, as arranged.

Compensation Proposals.

The Chinese delegation replied to the statement made by the British delegation at the meeting of the 19th July, and then proceeded to make two alternative proposals for the settlement of the boycott. One was the appointment of an international commission of enquiry to determine the question of responsibility for the Shakes incident of the 23rd June, 1925. The alternative proposal was that the financial burden which the settlement of the boycott would entail on the Canton Government should be shared by the British. Translated into practical details this proposed sharing of the burden proved to be a demand for (a) compensation to the relatives of those killed at Shakes, and (b) some form of compensation to the strikers.

The British delegation immediately and emphatically rejected the demand for compensation to the strikers, and this refusal was treated by the Chinese delegation as disposing of the whole of their second alternative proposal.

Commission of Enquiry.

The British delegation pointed out various objections to the alternative proposal of an international commission of enquiry into the Shakes incident. These objections are referred to more fully below, in the account of the subsequent meeting of Friday, the 23rd July.

The British delegation put forward a loan proposal which is referred to again in the account of the meeting of the 23rd July.

The next meeting was held on Friday, the 23rd July.

The British delegation made a short statement explaining why they did not reply in detail to the statement made by the Chinese delegation at the opening of the meeting of Wednesday, the 21st July. This short statement, and also the written statements made by the Chinese delegation on the 16th and 21st July and by the British delegation on the 19th July, are being published separately.

The Chinese delegation made a written statement as to the terms of the proposal for an international commission of enquiry into the Shakes incident. A copy of this statement is annexed hereto.

British Objections.

To this proposal the British delegation, at this meeting and at the meeting of Wednesday, the 21st July, pointed out, *inter alia*, the following objections:—

(a) The lapse of time since the occurrence of the incident to be enquired into would make the enquiry of no value, owing to the inevitable decay in the value of human testimony as an event recedes into the past, the difficulty of tracing witnesses, and the difficulty of securing the attendance of witnesses, many being scattered and many being of non-British nationality. Some of these considerations would apply with far less force, or not at all, to the Chinese case.

(b) It might be difficult to secure the co-operation of other Powers who would be interested or involved.

Defer A Solution?

(c) The proposal would cause great delay, possibly of a year, and it offers no immediate solution of the boycott, but, at best, a long deferred solution.

(d) The members of the commission of enquiry, though eminently fitted to ascertain facts if any reliable and complete body of testimony could be placed before them, might not be equally fitted to assume the unlimited duty of making "recommendations for the complete and final settlement" of the boycott, and could not be placed in full possession of all the political and economic considerations which might be involved.

Put very shortly, the chief objections were (1) the impossibility of a satisfactory enquiry at this late date, and (2) the fact that the proposal would defer the solution of the boycott for many months.

Refer to Authorities.

In spite of all the above objections the Chinese delegation pressed for the reference of the proposal to the British authorities and the British delegation undertook so to refer it.

The British delegation made a written statement on the loan proposal put forward at the meeting of Wednesday, the 21st July. A copy of this statement is annexed hereto. The Chinese delegation expressed their desire to refer this matter to their Government.

The Conference thereupon adjourned *sine die* in order to enable the British delegation to refer the enquiry proposal to the British authorities and the Chinese delegation to refer the loan proposal to their Government.

Enquiry Details.

Following is the statement by the Chinese delegation at the meeting of July 23 with reference to the commission of enquiry proposal:

The Chinese and the British delegation have, in their respective statements defined the anti-British boycott issue in terms which now necessitate resort to an impartial Commission of Enquiry for its settlement. The Chinese delegation formally propose that:—

- Such a Commission of Enquiry be constituted.
- The Commission is to be made up of a Chinese and a British Member with a Chairman to be agreed upon, whose country is not directly involved in the dispute.
- The Commission shall be empowered to determine the question of responsibility for the Shames-Shakes shooting on June 23, 1925, and to make recommendations for the complete and final settlement of the resulting anti-British boycott in the Liang-Kuang.

THE MARCONI COMPANY.

SHARES LOWEST FOR PAST TEN YEARS.

London, July 24.

An unfavourable impression has been created on the Stock Exchange by the announcement of the Directors of Marconi's Wireless Telegraph Company that no dividend is possible on the ordinary shares in respect of the working for the year 1925, although the results of the trading show a profit.

The Board states that a further revision of the values of certain of the Company's interests in the associated and other Companies will become necessary owing to continued depreciation.

Meantime the annual meeting of shareholders has been postponed *sine die*.

The Directors state that they intend to secure profits on future operations and that henceforth these will not be diminished by losses incurred owing to possible future depreciation of investments.

The Company's shares have fallen substantially during the past days and are now quoted at 17s. 6d.—the lowest for ten years.—*Reuter*.

BRITISH OFFICER MURDERED.

ASSASSINATED BY HIS BEARER.

Lucknow, July 24.

A distasteful outrage took place in Lucknow last night when Lieut. Col. H. A. Bransbury, Commanding Officer of the Cantonment Hospital, was murdered by his bearer.

The murderer also attacked his syce and his (the syce's) wife, murdering the latter. The motive of the crime is not yet definitely known, but an enquiry is proceeding.

The funeral took place with full military honours this afternoon. Much sympathy is felt for Mrs. Bransbury, who is at Home.—*Reuter*.

NETHERLANDS QUEEN.

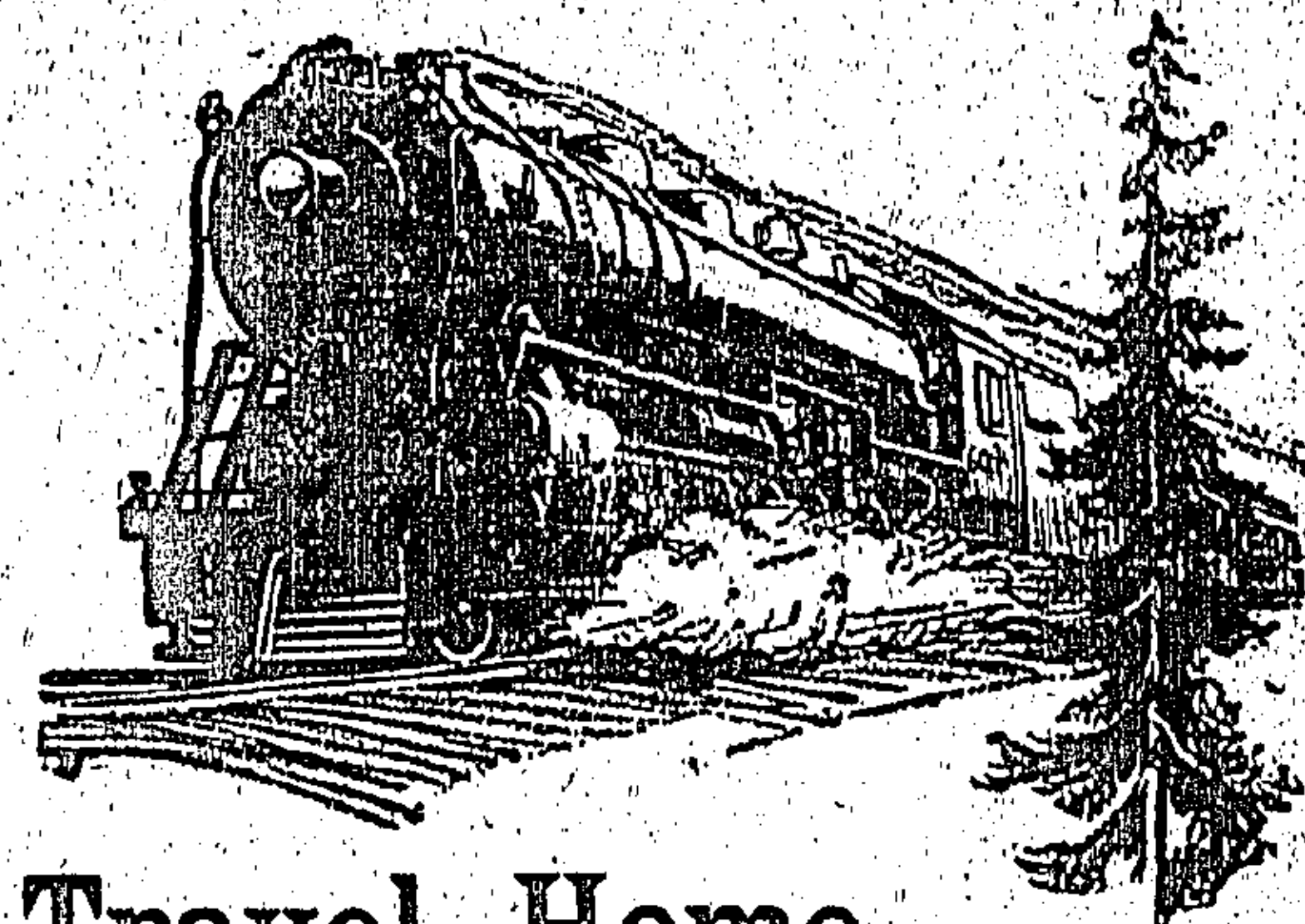
ALMOST COMPLETELY RECOVERED.

Amsterdam, July 24.

Queen Wilhelmina has almost completely recovered from her recent slight attack of bronchitis.—*Reuter*.

tions for the complete and final settlement of the resulting anti-British boycott in the Liang-Kuang.

- The Nationalist Government and the British (including the Hongkong) Government agree to be bound by the findings of the Commission and to carry out and enforce any and all recommendations made by it.
- The Commission is to be opened at the earliest possible date, and
- In order to meet possible difficulties of the British in the case of witnesses who have already made written statements to them on the case and who are dead or cannot be traced or otherwise cannot attend before the Commission such statements can be submitted at the Enquiry.



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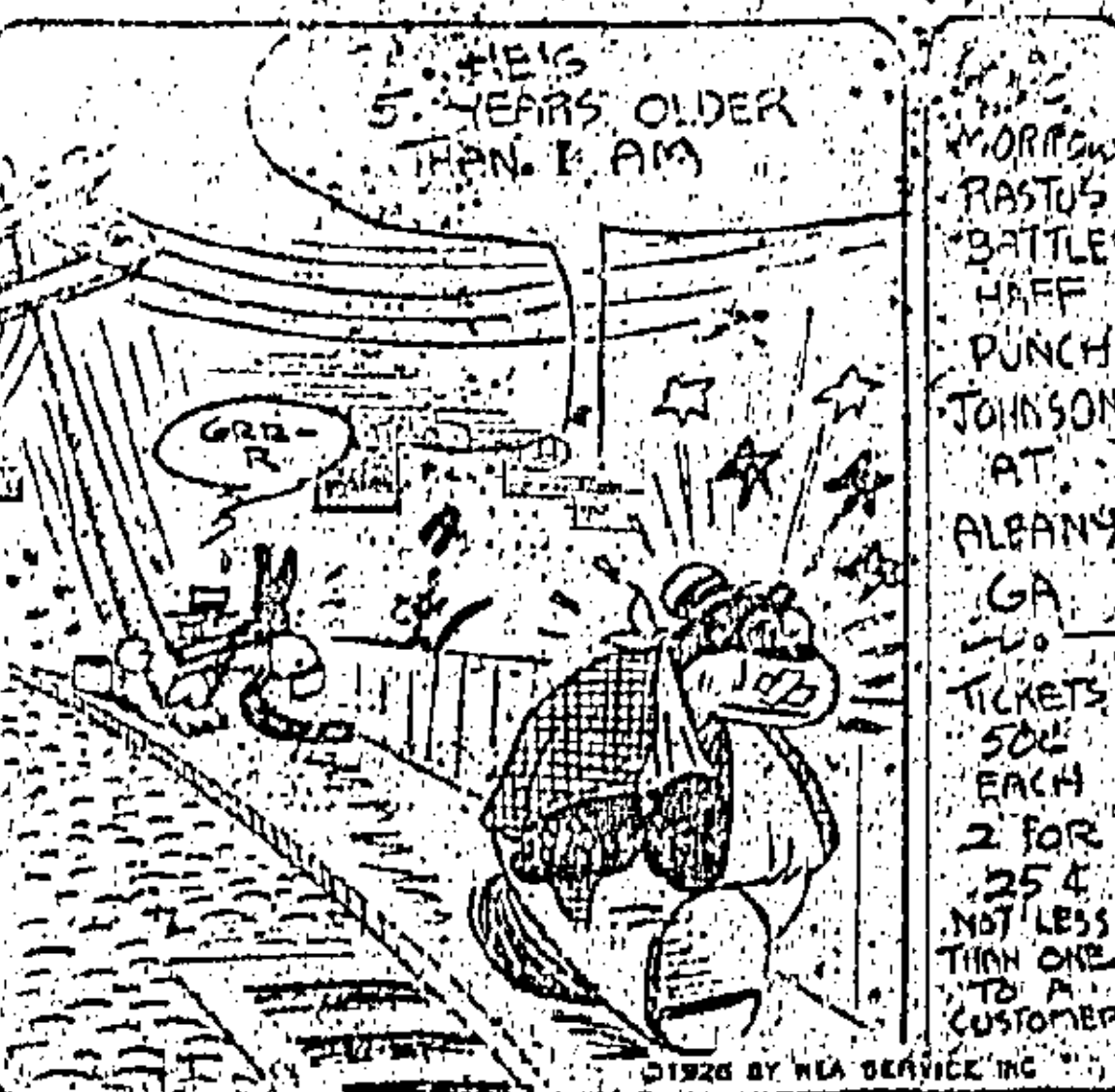
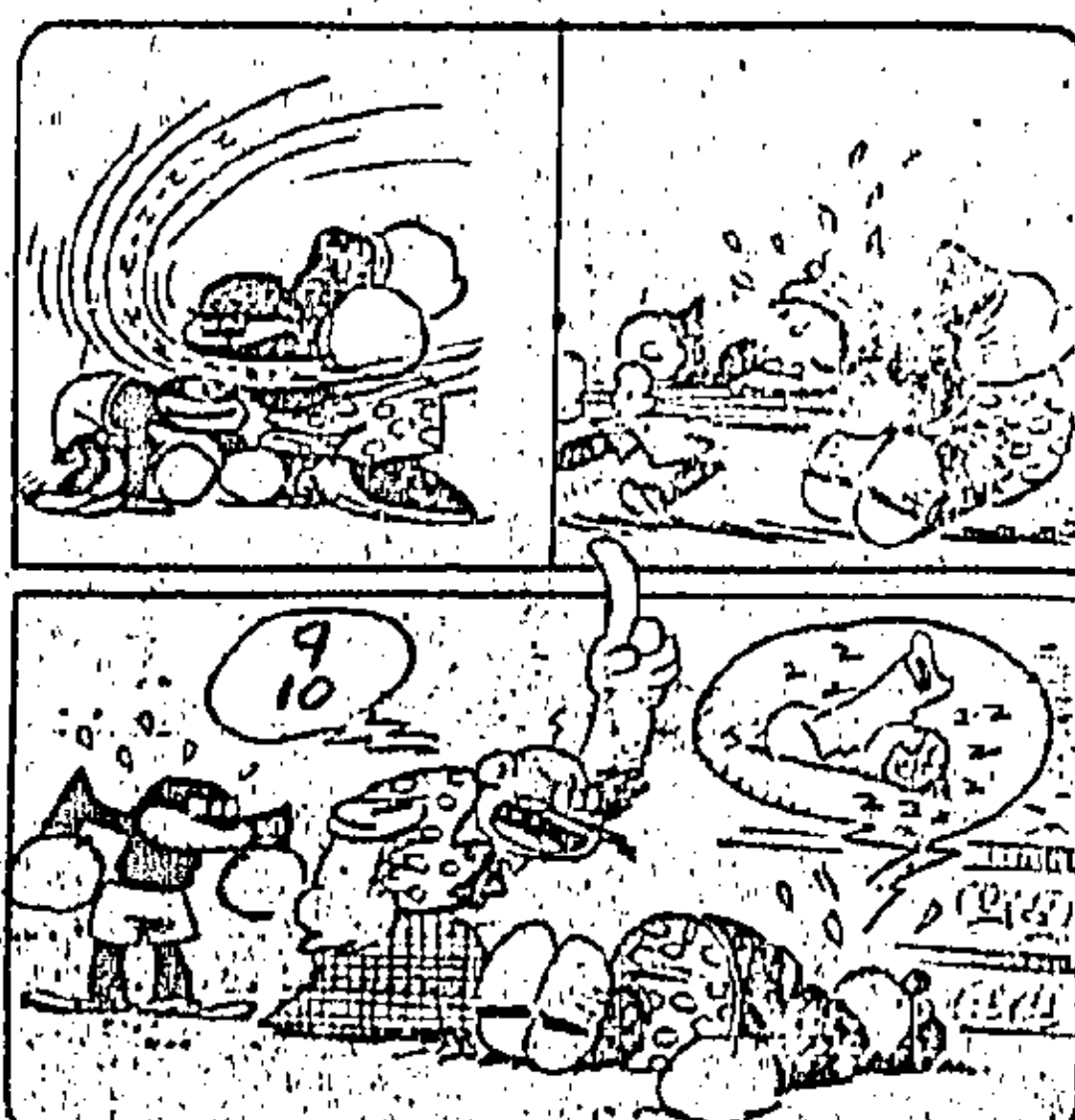
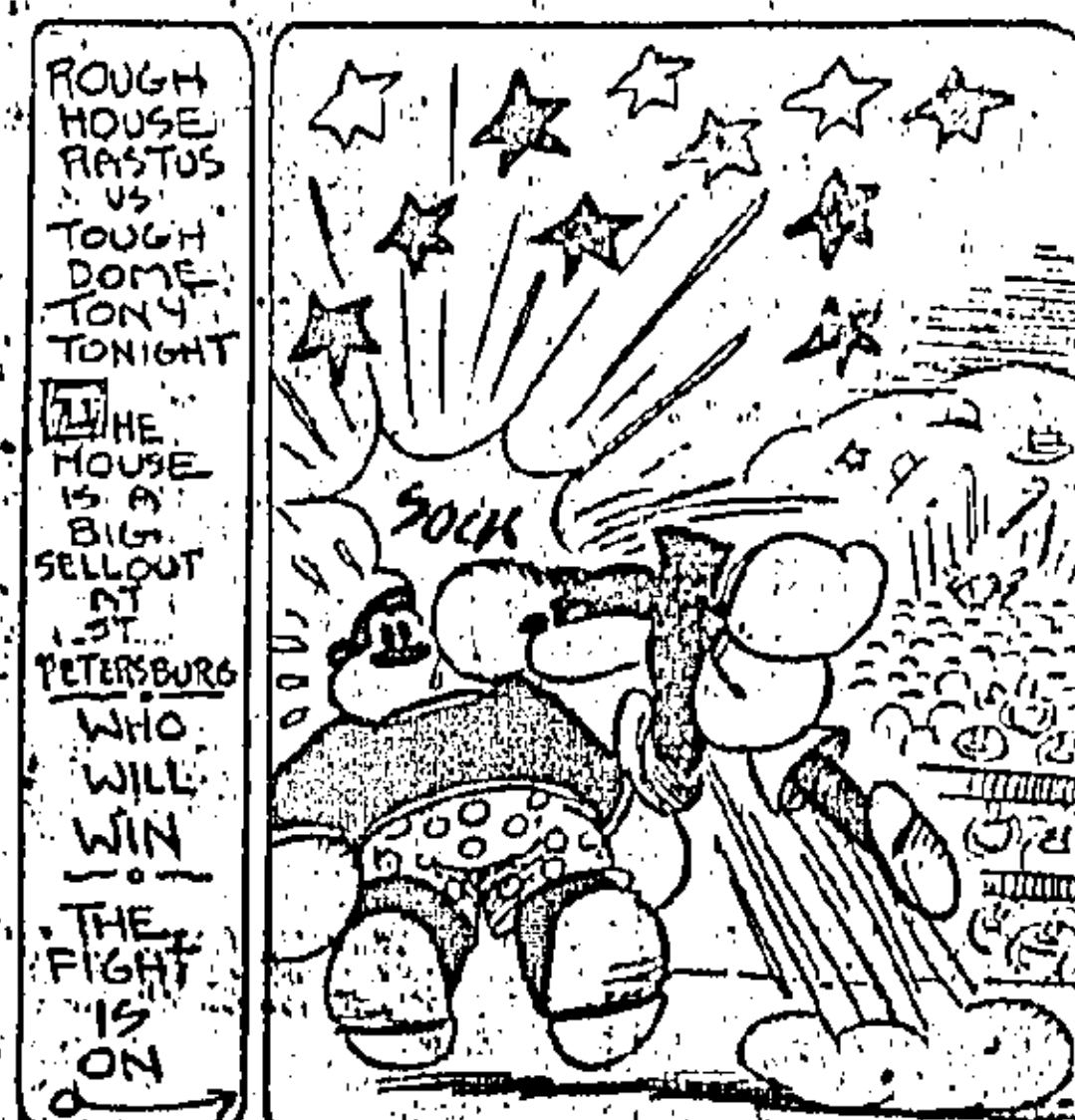
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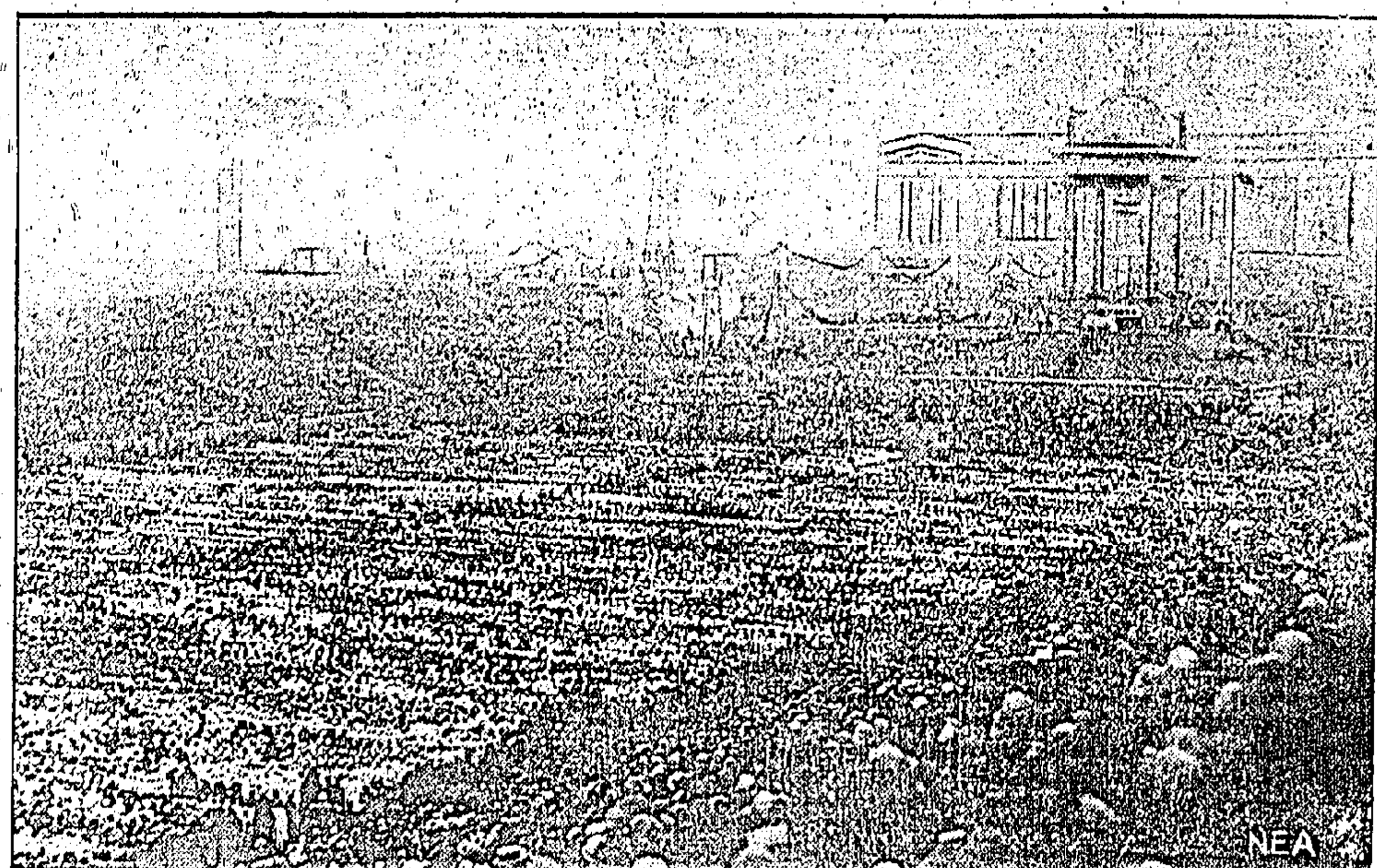
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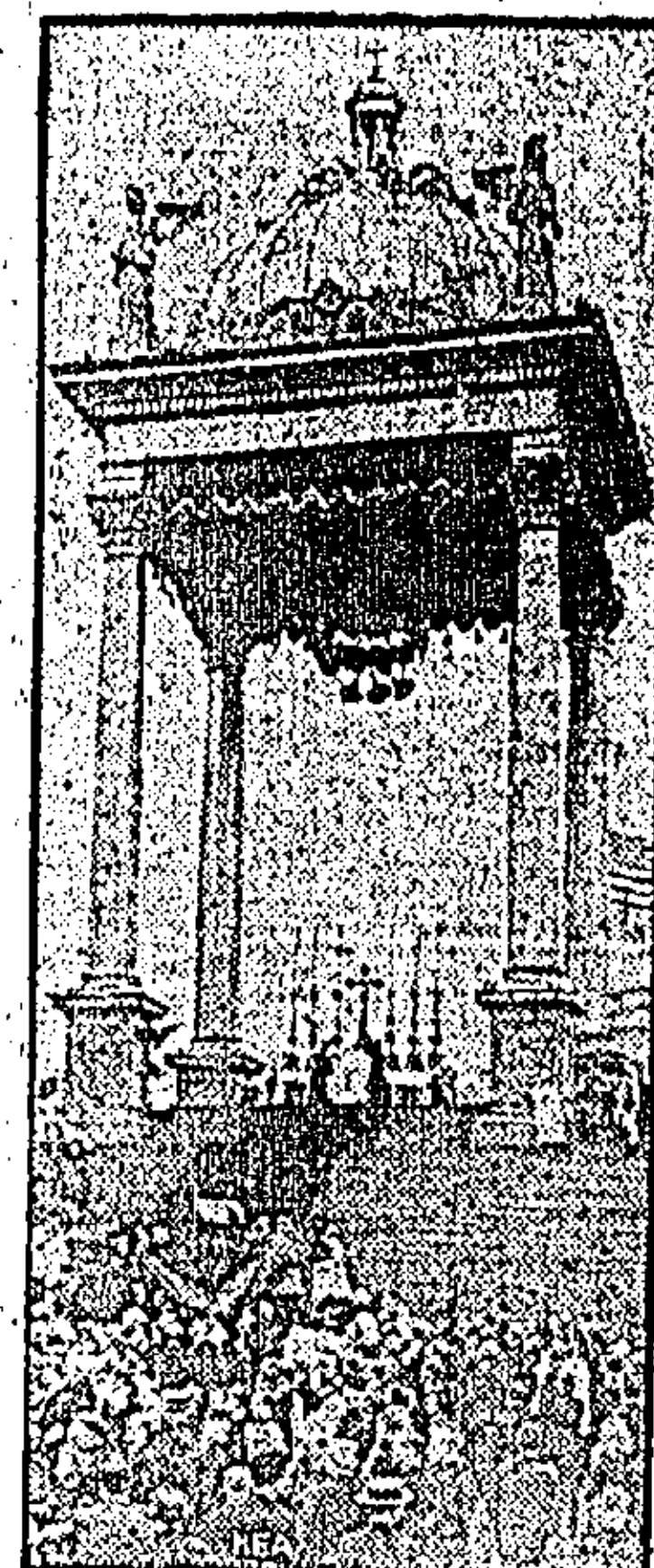


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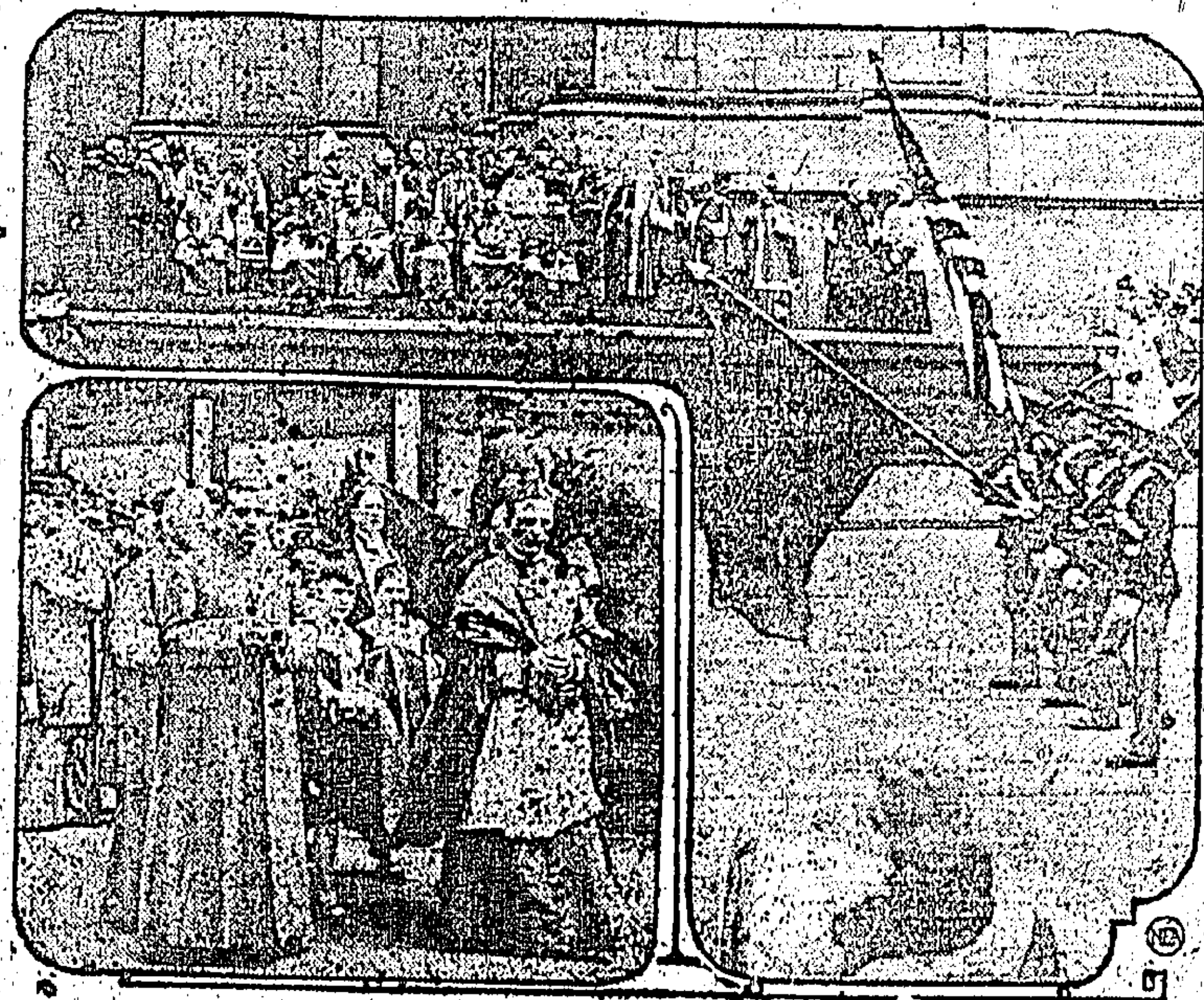
This is the great 100-foot altar erected for the eucharistic ceremonies. Cardinal Bonzano, papal legate, can be seen at the foot of the carpeted steps.



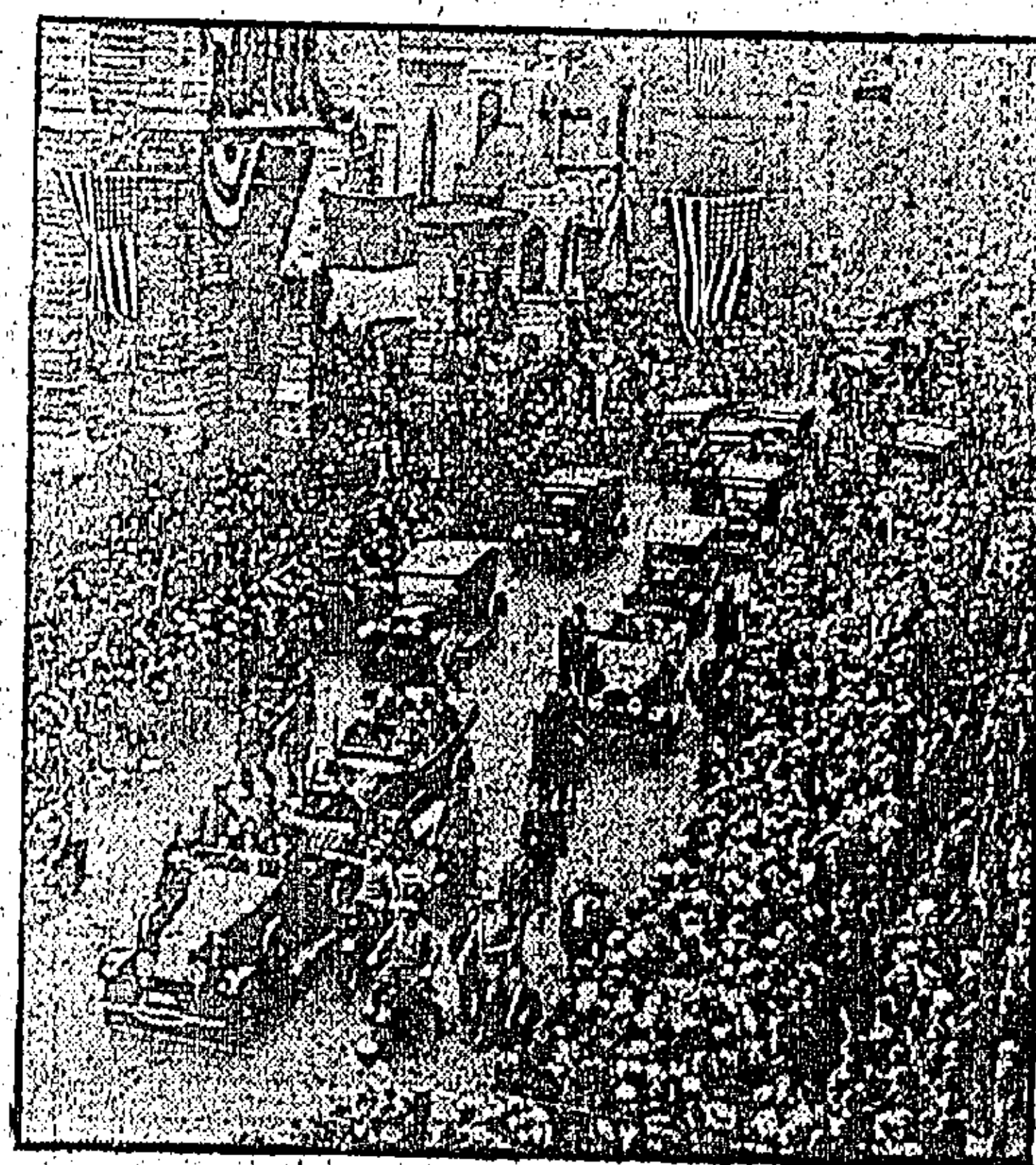
Cardinal Bonzano, Papal legate, arrives in Chicago to attend the Eucharistic Congress and is greeted by Cardinal Mundelein of Chicago and a crowd of 200,000. This photo shows Cardinal Bonzano, left, with Cardinal Mundelein, right, in the latter's automobile.



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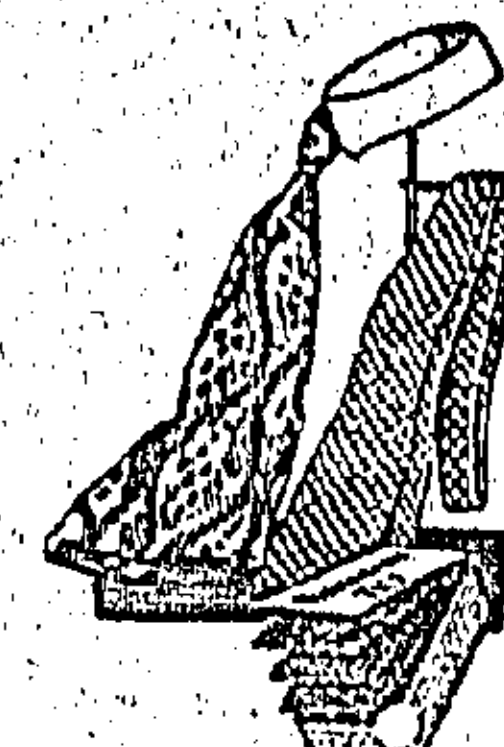


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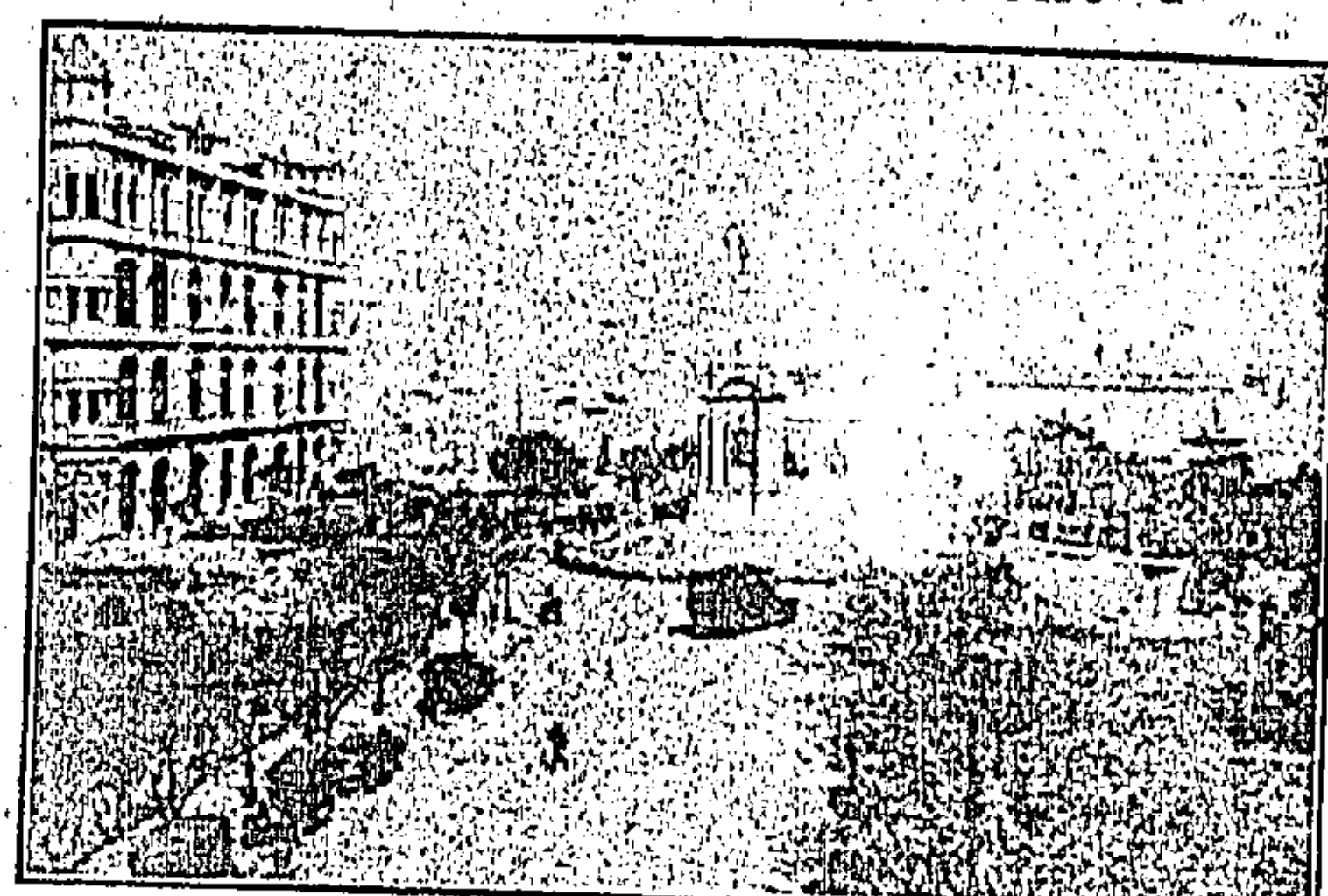
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CANTON REPLY.

NO ATTACK INTENDED BY CHINESE.

Following is the full text of the statement made by the Canton Foreign Minister in reply to the British reply which is given fully on page three.

"In the Chinese delegation insist on publicity being given to statements made at the conference, which embodied final views and not tentative views on the boycott. The delegation repeat that the anti-British boycott is a direct outcome of the Shamen shooting on June 23, 1925, and state that if the boycott is to be ended its cause must be dealt with."

It is re-asserted that the Chinese never intended to attack Shamen and that the first shots were not fired from Shamen.

The communiqué reads as follows:

"As trustees of power on behalf of the Chinese people in the Liang-kuang, the Nationalist Government sets the utmost value on publicity both as a means of public information and of mass education and discipline. The beneficiaries must know if we, as trustees, are to serve and not merely to dominate and exploit them. It is for this large reason of policy that the Chinese Delegation cannot share the objection of the British Delegation to the immediate publication of statements embodying final, and not purely tentative, views on a question of such commanding public interest as the anti-British Boycott. There is also a specific reason."

The British Press.

For more than a year the British press and publicists have exacerated the public opinion of the world adversely to Canton which has been consistently misrepresented as a centre of senseless hostility and agitation against the British.

It must surely serve the interests not only of historical truth but of this conference if fiction is replaced by fact, and public opinion is rightly informed as to the true Chinese reasons for the existing anti-British trouble in this territory. We, at any rate, believe in open diplomacy as a necessity of modern government and in publicity generally as the foe of the idols of Occidental prestige and Oriental "face" than which there are no greater obstacles in the transaction of international affairs in the Far East.

It is clearly not within the scope of this Conference to review the Shanghai shooting on May 30 in the sense of an immediate cause of the anti-British boycott in the Liang-kuang. Reference was made to it in the Chinese statement as but one of the massive features of the "casual background" out of which sprang the tragedy of the Shamen on June 23.

Causa Causans.

And it is strictly in this sense that we have to traverse the version of the incident set forth in the British statement and, referring to the so-called vindication of Inspector Everson by the Shanghai Judicial Enquiry, to emphasize the refusal of the Chinese people as a whole to have anything to do with the investigation. We agree that "previous experience" was utilized in dealing with the anniversary crowd of May 30 at Shanghai, which conclusively proved that a Chinese crowd can be dispersed without invoking the application of the doctrine of the preventive measure. As regards what happened at Hankow the British statement is incomplete without a reference to the double

fact that the Chinese crowd was unarmed as to sticks and poles and that the British forces included British Marines armed with quick-firing machine-guns.

We have stated and we repeat that the anti-British Boycott has been the immediate and direct outcome of the shooting off the Shamen on June 23. This is the causa causans. If the boycott is to be ended, its cause must be dealt with.

But while a consideration of this cause involves the question of responsibility as a vital issue, it is impossible to accept seriously as evidence on the point of the allegation that "it was definitely stated in Chinese circles in Canton and Hongkong on June 23rd that an attack was to be made on Shamen on the following day, and prominent Chinese actually took refuge in Hongkong and made other dispositions to meet such an eventuality."

This presumably, is a repetition of part of the then British Consul-General's disputable story of the events preceding the actual shooting on June 23.

Wealthy and Unduly Nervous.

That baseless reports in "Chinese circles" and "prominent Chinese" (wealthy and therefore unduly nervous) running to Hongkong for refuge should be accepted as evidence of a plan of "attack on Shamen" is rather a sad commentary on human credulity.

But this Shamen gullibility also testifies to the existence of a state and condition of the official mind on June 23 which explains why the events of the day marched to their tragic ending.

To the then British Consul-General, an attack on Shamen was an article of faith and, naturally he detected the diabolic intention in most things that came within the range of vision during the fateful hours immediately preceding the enactment of the tragedy.

No Attack Intended.

In reasserting that there was not and could not have been any intention to attack Shamen, we have categorically to state that the firing on June 23 was first opened from the Shamen side. This point, of course, is of vital importance. And in view of its presentation by the British Delegation, it now appears necessary for the Conference to consider whether the question of responsibility for the Shamen-Shakee shooting should not form the subject of a properly constituted international enquiry. We have, however, to point out that it was to avoid the necessity of such an enquiry that the Chinese delegation argued in their statement that the point is of "secondary importance" and "is not a capital issue," since "all the relevant facts of the case support the view that, even if the Shamen firing were done in the first instance in so-called defence (which is categorically denied), it was excessive and therefore legally unjustified."

"Tainted Testimony."

While we are prepared to agree to the holding of an enquiry to determine the "question of whose act gave rise to the tragedy," we cannot in the meantime allow to go unchallenged the "written statements by the Danish and Swedish Consuls" and American citizens who were present at the same time, and assert definitely of their own knowledge that the first shots were fired from Shamen.

These men formed part of the population or of the garrison of Shamen on June 23 and they are no more disinterested witnesses than is Sir James Jamieson. In principle their testimony is just as tainted as that of the men who actually shot down Chinese

students and others on the Shamen bund.

Fastening Responsibility.

Nor can we refrain from instantly repelling the attempt to fasten responsibility for the Chinese dead and wounded on the Chinese authorities who, it is alleged, "disregarding the folly and danger of their action, allowed inflammable material to be placed ready to the hands of the agitators seeking for an opportunity to cause a conflagration."

There is a familiar ring in these words. It is always heard when men's folly and unwisdom plunge them into deeds of blood and a scapegoat must be tracked. But the real reply to this charge is that the Chinese Authorities did not interfere with the demonstration business, as a fact, they were absolutely satisfied that no attack would or could be made on Shamen. A host of responsible witnesses can attest to this fact.

A "Grave Insult."

We note that the British Delegation challenge our definition of the anti-British Boycott as a patriotic abstention from all commercial relations with the British and assert that "it is imposed on an unwilling people by a small but powerful organisation of persons who maintain the boycott by force of arms." A complete reply to this British contention would necessarily involve the discussion of question which, though we are ready and prepared to discuss them, do not come within the ambit of this Conference. But we have to emphasize the grave insult to the Chinese Nation that is implied in the British view.

To believe that the Chinese people are incapable of mass indignation and mass action for acts of death and violence of the type enacted on the Shamen Bund is not only to err grievously but to imply that we are a people with the stuff of slaves in us. It is doubtless true that there have been incidents in our relations with the British, in the past, which may explain the persistence of this British belief.

"We Speak Gravely."

But great tidal waves of change have swept across the world; and men's work and action in this region of Asia are to-day inspired by ideas of freedom and human dignity which will not suffer them tamely to submit to violence and injustice.

Unless this fact is grasped and understood by the British and translated into their policy and action, the future of our relations with them will be but a repetition of the past with its misunderstandings, its riots, its tumults and its wars.

We speak gravely. We are on the eve, if not already in the midst, of events that may cut out in the rocks of destiny a new road for our people. It is not our wish that we should enter on this new road with the British at variance with us. But we are in a situation in which the decision as to the future is largely theirs.

Blockade of Hongkong.

As regards the blockade by Hongkong, we have to reiterate that whatever, subjectively, it was intended to compass, the general prohibition was interpreted as a financial and economic blockade of Canton and the rest of the province and that, objectively, it worked out in this sense, since Hongkong as the whole transshipment port in South China, was the only gateway through which supplies of food could then reach our people.

This interpretation of the embargo is not affected by either its modification on August 11 or its removal on October 9. By these dates it appears to have been re-

JAPANESE MILLS WIN.

MONTH'S STRIKE AT COTTON MILL ENDS.

Shanghai, July 24. Several hundred workers at a Japanese cotton mill, who have been on strike for about a month, have agreed to return to work today. The list of conditions presented to them by the Japanese management, which have been accepted, shows that the mills have won a distinct victory over the unruly workers.

The lockout during the past few weeks has caused considerable disturbance in labour circles. The acceptance by the workers of the management's demands was undoubtedly the result of the workers being starved out.—*Reuter.*

COBHAM'S FLIGHT.

HIS ARRIVAL AT AKYAB.

Akyab, July 24. Mr. Cobham, the aviator, has arrived here.—*Reuter.*

Used that the relief measures instituted by Canton for the importation of food from other centres had deprived the blockade of its effectiveness.

A Welcome Expression.

Finally, we have to welcome the expression of the British delegation's desire "of seeing a happy, prosperous and independent China with whom they can conduct their trade," the more so because past and recent British action have not been calculated to inspire confidence in the possibility of reconciling what have hitherto been understood to be the aims of British policy in this country with Chinese Nationalist ideals and aspirations.

But if we are to understand the British Delegation's desire as an indication of future British Policy in China, there is good reason to believe that its realisation will witness the establishment of relations with the British that shall secure to them the goodwill and friendliness of Nationalist China.

WAR DEBTS.

BORAH'S LATEST RETORT.

Washington, July 25.

Senator Borah has made a statement to European critics of America in connection with war debts.

He says they should remember that people living in glass houses should not throw stones; and refers to the "territorial acquisitions of Great Britain at the peace table." He adds that out of four million square miles to be divided, Britain secured three million, France, eight hundred thousand, and America, true to her ideals, nothing.—*Reuter's American Service.*

ANGLO-HUNGARIAN RELATIONS.

TREATY SIGNED IN LONDON.

Rugby July 24.

Sir Austin Chamberlain, Foreign Secretary, and Baron Rubido Zichy, Hungarian Minister in London, yesterday signed the text of the Anglo-Hungarian Treaty of Commerce and protocol providing for continuance of a commercial status quo between the two countries until the new treaty has been duly ratified by high contracting parties. The basis of the treaty is reciprocal freedom of commerce and navigation and mutual and absolute most favoured nation treatment between the two countries.—*British Wireless Service.*

NEW YORK HEAT.

MANY PEOPLE SLEEPING IN THE PARKS.

New York, July 24.

Cases of prostration are more numerous to-day on account of the high humidity, though the temperature is lower. Thousands of families forsook the city and moved to the beaches, improvising encampments. The Mayor has ordered the parks to be opened at night to enable inhabitants to sleep at fresco.—*Reuter's American Service.*



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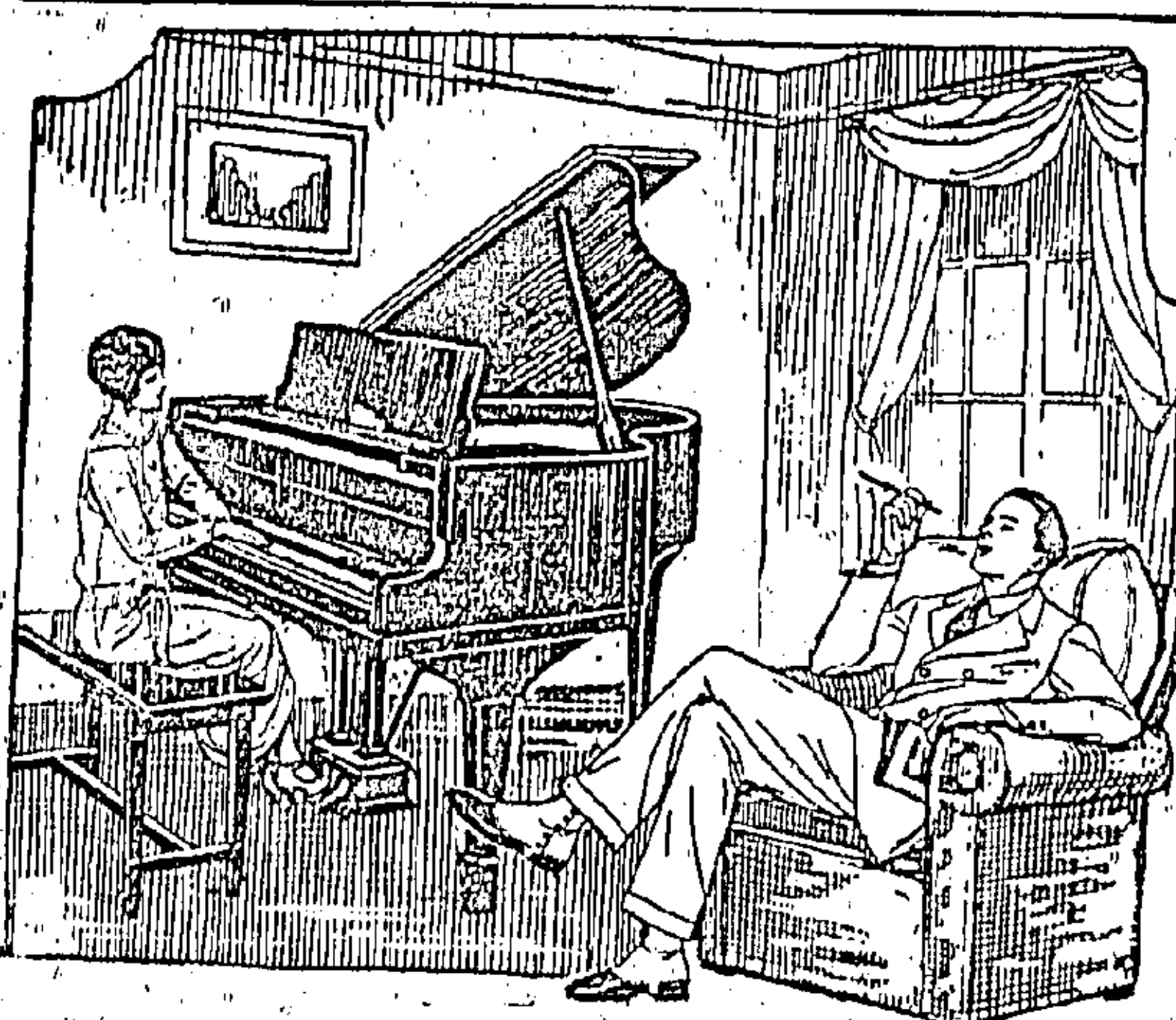
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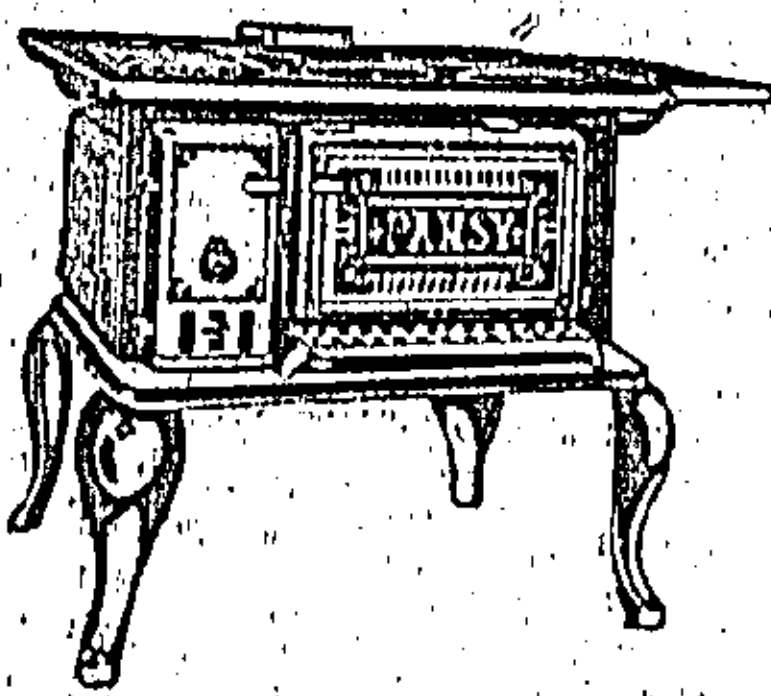
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RANDALL.—On Sunday, 25th of July, at 33, Robinson Road, to Mr. & Mrs. Benjamin C. Randall, Jr., a son.

The Telegraph

MONDAY, JULY 26, 1926.

WELL DONE, P.W.D.!

We would like to add our tribute to the manner in which the various Departments of the Public Works Department concerned with the havoc and damage caused by the storms of last week have set to work to re-open the Colony to normal communication. Few people outside those whose special business it has been to find out, have any idea of the extent of the widespread damage caused. If one begins with the Water Office one finds that little short of Herculean work will have been performed if pumping to the Peak is going to be resumed to-day, as was promised. "Not only was the pumping station on Pokfulam Road put out of action but many yards of big water piping were washed clean adrift. The nullah and service path which leads from the Conduit Road filter beds down to the now-demolished pumping station were wrecked, and so was the big pipe line along it. All that has had to be temporarily made good, the pumping station has had to be made usable, and, some very heavy boulders up on the hillside, which threatened to fall later in the week, have had to be shored up. Altogether, a tremendous amount of work.

The Roads Department has indeed performed wonderfully, and has employed thousands of coolies (all needing supervision), in clearing away obstructing falls and making good wash-outs. With the solitary exception of Stubbs Road, between Morrison Hill Road and Bowen Road, all the main motor roads on the island are again open for traffic. The Chai Road fall has been cleared sufficiently to allow traffic, the fall on Robinson Road, just below "Derrington" is even now being attacked by a big gang of coolies, and at many another point specially recruited labour in addition to the ordinary "outside personnel, is busy in righting matters. The repair of Pedder Street will, by its very nature, take a long time, and the tremendous fall on the lower portion of Stubbs Road will also entail much labour, though it is hoped to get traffic through by to-morrow. On the mainland, too, good work is being done to clear the Castle Peak Road.

The Drains Department, the Building Ordinance Office and several other Departments have had their heavy burdens to bear, and His Excellency's compliments to the P. W. D. as a whole on the manner it has acquitted itself in this catastrophe will, we are sure, find a hearty echo among residents generally. When it is estimated that the cost of the storm to the Government will be about \$1,000,000, some indication is given of the tremendous amount of labour that is being and will later have to be employed, because it is labour that will swallow up most of the bill. Although the Colony has suffered so much, it has reason to congratulate itself on the fact that the disaster was not of much greater magnitude, for with such a tremendous volume and weight of water pouring down precipitate hillsides it is something at which to marvel that more material was not dislodged. That so many of the Colony's hillside roads and bridges remained intact is only due to the thoroughness and high quality of their construction, and if we can be proud of one thing more than another it is of the skillful and conscientious work of our Public Works Department.

When the P. W. D. does a job of construction, it does it with the best of materials and with skilled and well supervised labour, and for that and much else we owe acknowledgment to the hard-working staff of Engineers and Overseers whose pride it is to give the public nothing but the best.

British and China.

Whilst we have no intention at this juncture of commenting in detail on the statement issued by the Canton delegation regarding the causes of the boycott, or on the reply thereto by the British members of the Conference, there is in the concluding part of the latter a point which might well be stressed. It is that the trouble which has arisen in China between foreigners and Chinese is not of British origin—in the words of the reply it is "an internal one, and will not be cured by attacking the British, who, of all others, are most desirous of seeing a happy, prosperous and independent China with whom they can conduct their trade." For years past now—and particularly of late—Britain has been made the subject of all manner of lying propaganda, and from more than one quarter it has been asserted that British interests have been largely instrumental in stirring up internal strife in China. A moment's thought would give the lie to that suggestion. Britain wants nothing so much as peace and order in China, with the creation of a stable Government to the mutual advantage of foreigners and Chinese alike. Hongkong especially is desirous of doing all that lies in its power to resume the old spirit of friendship between this Colony and its neighbours, and in this regard we cannot do better than to again quote the words of the British reply that the Government here "is prepared to assist in the development of those provinces with which the Colony is brought into immediate contact." The sooner that the Chinese as a whole realise that they have no truer friends than the British, the better will it be for everybody concerned. When the two join hands, we may hope to see, ushered in an era of unprecedented progress and prosperity for China and the Chinese. And we are hoping that that will be the ultimate outcome of the present Conference in Canton.

EXCHANGE RATES.

Rugby, July 24.	
Paris	108 1/2
Brussels	200
Amsterdam	12 10 1/4
Berlin	20 43
Copenhagen	18 30
Vienna	34 42 1/2
Hamburg	103 1/2
Lisbon	233 1/4
Buenos Aires	45 7 1/2
Rio	112 1/2
Shanghai	2 11 1/2
New York	112 1/2
Geneva	48 5 1/2
Milan	26 1 1/2
Stockholm	18 15 1/2
Oslo	22 1 1/2
Prague	104 1/2
Madrid	30 8 1/2
Bombay	73
Hongkong	175 59 1/4
Silver (spot)	2 2 1/2
Silver (forward)	29 9 1/2

—British Wireless.

DAY BY DAY.

WHILE THOU LIVEST, KEEP A GOOD TONGUE IN THY HEAD.—Shakespeare.

A case of rabies was reported over the week-end.

On Saturday a Chinese case of small-pox and a Chinese case of scarlet fever were reported.

The P. & O. s.s. Mantua, from Hongkong, arrived at Marseilles on the 23rd July at 8.30 p.m.

After a long illness the death took place at Penang on July 18th of Miss Mavis Valberg, aged 22. She became worse about a week before her death and despite medical aid passed away.

Amongst the passengers who left by the s.s. Taiping for Australia were: L. V. Hutton, Miss K. O. O'Neill, Mrs. E. H. Bolamy, Miss A. E. Hendry and Mr. Duncan Cameron.

The late Mr. Henry Lester, of the firm of Messrs. Lester, Johnson and Morris of Shanghai, who died on May 14th of this year, left estate in Hongkong to the value of \$112,900.

The death occurred on July 19th at Penang from an internal complaint of Mr. C. E. O'Donnell, general supervisor of the Government Monopolies. He had been in hospital for some months and recently was operated upon.

A small outbreak of fire occurred at 136, Jervois street, last evening, the second floor of premises used as a cracker and paper store being involved. Little damage was done, and the fire was confined within narrow limits. A certain amount of damage was done by water.

Colonel Arthur W. Yates, chief quartermaster of the Philippine Department, has been appointed Brigadier General, and assistant quartermaster of the Army to take the office vacated by the retirement of Brigadier General Albert C. Dalton who became president of the Emergency Fleet Corporation.

Mr. D. G. Hendrie, of Saigal Estate, was killed as the result of a motoring accident at Malacca on July 18. His Calcutt two-seater car went into a ditch and somersaulted twice, the car being completely wrecked and the occupant killed instantaneously. Mr. Hendrie, who lost his wife three months ago, has a brother in Klang.

A memorial service for the late Mrs. A. W. B. Hamilton, whose death occurred at Singapore recently, was held at St. George's Church, at Penang, last week, the Rev. K. P. Garnier officiating and Mr. Ward presiding at the organ. There was a large attendance including Mr. A. W. B. and Miss Hamilton, the Resident Councillor and Mrs. Coff.

Governor General Wood, in the Budget submitted to the Philippine Legislature has requested a total appropriation of Pesos 71,918,589 for the insular government in 1927 out of an estimated income of Pesos 73,153,100, or an increase over the current appropriation for 1926 amounting to Pesos 1,960,000. The estimated surplus at the end of 1927, according to Budget estimates, will be Pesos 1,234,511.

Amongst the passengers leaving on the P. & O. s.s. Ranpura on Saturday were: Surg-Lieut. J. F. Kirwan, Mr. J. Fisher, Engr.-Comdr. and Mrs. H. B. Sears, Mr. and Mrs. Skerrett Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. G. Markham, Lieut. B. A. Majendie, Capt. and Mrs. R. S. Hughes, Mrs. F. L. Jenkin, Miss P. Jenkin, Capt. and Mrs. J. E. Richards, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Wallis, Mr. and Mrs. J. Massey, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Chapman, Miss A. E. Dyer, Mr. F. W. Wilson, Mr. G. Gerrard, and Dr. and Mrs. J. Paterson, two Masters Paterson and Miss M. Paterson.

A San Francisco message to the Manila Bulletin says it is learned in a reliable quarter that the Matson Navigation Company is considering plans for the establishment of a new direct steamship circuit which would include the Hawaiian Islands, Manila and Australia. The Matson company is planning further expansions of its service designed to build up a strong competition with the Dollar Steamship Company in the South Pacific. The officials of the Matson line recently acquired the Oceanic Steamship Company and it is reliably understood that their next step will be to acquire a share of the Manila traffic.

"EMPTY DREAM."

PHILIPPINE INDEPENDENCE QUESTION.

New York, July 17.—Independence is an "empty dream" says an editorial in the New York Herald-Tribune sharply criticising the action of the Philippine legislature at its first session in adopting a resolution in favour of absolute and immediate independence.

"This may have been intended merely as a political gesture" says this newspaper, "but it is poor propaganda insofar as it threatens the better understanding with which the Thompson mission is seeking." It holds that sympathetic understanding and co-operation between Filipinos and Americans is the only answer to the question of the Philippines.

WOULD KEEP AUTONOMY.

"Congress has no desire to recall any of the autonomy already granted the Philippines," continues the editorial, "but merely wishes to correct certain extra-legal practices growing out of the Harrison regime."

"Independence is an empty dream and would nullify all that the United States has done to educate the Filipinos, give them material prosperity and domestic security, and lift them to a higher level of opportunity and civilisation. It would subject them to the risks of civil war, foreign exploitation and annexation by some other Power."

"It would gravely disturb the existing balance in the Far East and might easily precipitate a tragic Far Eastern war. As far as the United States alone is concerned, we would sacrifice political and economic advantages of enormous future value."

CO-OPERATION IS NEEDED.

"Philippine independence is out of the question, in the light of American history and tradition. The only solution admissible is friendly co-operation between the Filipinos and representatives of American sovereignty."

Long dispatches from Manila describing activities of the Thompson mission, the Philippine political situation and the opening sessions of the legislature, are appearing daily on the first pages of all newspapers.—United Press.

London, June 15.—The death has occurred of Mr. Rhys Thomas at the age of 43. Mr. Thomas was a Welsh international rugby player and played against South Africa in 1913.

MISSING RADIATOR CAP.

EUROPEAN CHARGES HAWKER.

A marine hawk appeared before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, at the Central Magistracy this morning, on a charge of stealing, and, alternatively, of receiving, a radiator cap, the property of the Acting Registrar of the University, Mr. W. K. Reynolds.

Mr. Reynolds gave evidence to the effect that the radiator cap was stolen from his car on a recent date whilst it was parked in Lytlington Road.

An Indian constable said that he met two marine hawkers in the same vicinity, one of whom dropped his baskets and ran away when accosted by the witness. He was caught after running for some distance. Dragged back to the spot where he was seen to throw something over a wall into the yard of the Girls' School, he was asked to explain how he came into possession of a radiator cap which was found in the yard. A satisfactory reply not being forthcoming, he was taken to the Police Station, where a report was already received from Mr. Reynolds of his loss.

Mr. W. B. Hind, who appeared for the defence, asked for an adjournment for instructions, and the hearing was accordingly held over until noon to-morrow.

SEAMEN'S UNION.

LEAVES INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION.

Rugby, July 25. The National Union of Seamen, at the concluding session yesterday of its annual meeting, unanimously decided to sever connection with the International Transport Workers Federation. The meeting also decided to a ballot vote of its members of the question of continuing any political affiliation.—British Wireless.

The following vessels are expected to be in wireless communication with Hongkong to-day: West Prospect, City of Norwich, Suifang, Hirundo, Sanuki Maru, Taikwa Maru, Tsimanek, Talping, Peru, Hongpeng, Laisang, Tjisroca, Suisang, Himsang, Kumsang, Sunning, Solviken, Zosma, President Madison, President Grant, Fingal, Calula, Talma, Kueichow, President Jackson, Hector, Teiresias, Pronto, Seattle Maru, Hokozonki Maru, Van Cloon and Sandviken.

The Very Idea!

Sure, out among men you're a regular guy. They're tickled to have you around. They'll stop for a hand-shake and ne'er pass you by. They feel that a real friend they've found.

You're happy-go-lucky and hearty, well-met. You've built yourself up on the plan that you can hang on to the friends that you get by being just one of the gang.

Then, after a while, you may grow to feel proud, to thinking your standing is high. You know you're a knock—when out with the crowd, and it's fun being that sort of guy.

But, say, after all, is it that end that counts? Though back-slapping wherever you roam, the real worthy standing a fellow needs mounts on the standing you have in your home.

Don't throw out your chest on the strength of your friends. But pick the best angle in life. Your real rock foundation, old fellow, depends on your home, and your kids and your wife.

A bride may think so—but she never marries the best man.

Dr. Norman Maclean has been telling his fellow-Presbyterians that "the sight of a congregation all in Edinburgh was the most lugubrious spectacle a man ever looked upon from a pulpit. Every face had every emotion of gladness and sorrow but a feeling of endurance. He did, and a glimmer of hope that the preacher would stop at twenty minutes or would at least come to an end at twenty-five minutes, are not idiots!"

A citizen of Norwich was arrested upon for having said that half the bad every emotion of gladness and sorrow but a feeling of endurance. He did, and a glimmer of hope that the preacher would stop at twenty minutes or would at least come to an end at twenty-five minutes, are not idiots!"

THE HUNAN WAR.

LATEST REPORTS FROM FRONT.

A communique issued by the General Staff of the Commander-in-Chief in Canton announces the receipt of the following telegram from General Tang Sang-che: "Occupied with opposition Yochow on the 18th instant. The vanguard has advanced to Yang-Lau Se, a district on the border of Hunan-Hupeh boundary." The nearest district in Hupeh to Yang-Lau Se is Char Yu. By the capture of this district, the way is opened for the advance on Wuchang.

Another communique announces the receipt of the following telegram from General Li Chung-yan at the Front: "My command, the 8th Brigade, captured Yip Yang. The 10th and 11th Divisions of the 4th Army Corps have advanced to Hui Yang and vicinity. General Tang Sang-che made his entry into Changsha on the 14th instant. The enemy retreated in the direction of Chang Toh and Li Ling, its centre having fallen back to the north of Yochow, and its right retired from Ping Kong in the direction of the Kiangsi frontier. Have left Hengchow for Changsha."

Owing to repairs of the damages done by the recent storm to the Canton-Hankow Railway, the departure of the Staff of the Headquarters of the Commander-in-Chief has been postponed. This is also likely to delay the departure of General Chang Kai-shek.

TIN PLATES STOLEN?

A STANDARD OIL CASE.

Charges of larceny of 16 cases of tin plates, which comprised part of a consignment imported by the Standard Oil Company, were brought against eight members of the crew of one of the company's lighters, before Mr. J. H. B. Nibhill at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

Inspector Ogg, asked for a remand but opposed bail, the Company regarding the case as a serious one. He said should one man be allowed bail and abscond, the case for the crown might be embarrassed.

The case arose out of the alleged pilfering of a cargo of 14,000 cases of tin plates which were brought into the Colony by the s.s. Speybank for the Standard Oil Company.

On arrival in Hongkong, the consignment was transferred to three of the Company's lighters. Before the crews had an opportunity of discharging the cargo, the cyphons signals were hoisted, and the lighters were forced to take shelter at Tsun Wan.

The evidence against the defendants, continued Inspector Ogg, was very strong. They had been seen by a boatman, who was anchoring in the vicinity, to place the stolen cases on board another boat.

The defendants were all remanded until Wednesday.

FOREIGNERS IN KWANGTUNG.

IMPORTANT ISSUE RAISED.

A Canton correspondent states that two Norwegian subjects a few days ago filed with their Consul a complaint against a Chinese steamship company. The consul, so the correspondent has been informed, transmitted the complaint to the Chinese Foreign Office, with a request that the matter be set for trial in the District Magistrate's Court where it is customary to bring suits where the plaintiff is entitled to extra-territorial privileges and when the defendant is a Chinese.

The Minister of Foreign Affairs, it is said, has directed that the case be tried in the ordinary Chinese Court, the so-called Sham Poon Teng. An interesting situation has thus arisen.

Recently a letter is said to have been sent to the Provincial authorities by the Minister of Foreign Affairs notifying them that they would be expected in the future to handle the cases of foreigners who get into difficulties while living in the province, and that the Nationalist Government can have nothing to do with such cases.

COAL SITUATION.

8,000 MEN NOW AT WORK.

Rugby, July 25.

To-morrow's debates on the coal situation in both Houses of Parliament will probably indicate whether any fresh efforts to settle the dispute by negotiation are in prospect.

Although no favourable development is apparent, restrained optimism that the end of the conflict will be brought in sight within the next few days continues to prevail. In some measure, this is based on the fact that the number of miners who have returned to work in Warwickshire is steadily increasing, but in other parts of the country, and particularly in the North of England, there has been no movement on the part of the men to break away from the instructions of the Miners' Federation. Mr. A. J. Cook, Secretary of the Federation, addressed meetings in Warwickshire yesterday and expressed regret that they had taken action without consulting the Federation. The object of his visit was to check the movement for the resumption of work on the new terms offered by the Warwickshire owners. Sixteen hundred miners are said to have returned in the past two days and altogether, 8,000 will be working to-morrow.

Sir A. Steel Maitland, Minister of Labour, in a speech at Birmingham yesterday, said that what might be anticipated was that by degrees the growth of public opinion would lead the miners themselves to realise the unsound advice that was given them by their leaders, and that, in the end, they really had to do what the Coal Commission's Report and the Government asked them to do in the beginning.

Mr. Frank Hodges, formerly Secretary of the Miners' Federation and now Secretary of the International Miners' Organisation, said, in an interview, that the miners ought immediately and unreservedly to have accepted the conclusions of the Coal Commission's Report. He did not know if these conditions were still open to them but if they could still get back to the Report it would be both the most honourable and most effective way out of their difficulties.—*British Wireless.*

RUSSIAN POLITICS.

M. ZINOVIEFF EXPELLED.

Moscow, July 25.

A plenary sitting of the Central Committee of the Russian Communist Party has expelled M. Zinovieff from the Political Bureau of the Party, owing to increased opposition to Zinovieff's faction, which the Central Committee accuses of secessionist agitation.—*Reuter.*

RELIGION IN MEXICO.

PROTEST MEASURES BY CATHOLICS.

Mexico City July 25.

A Pastoral Letter has been signed by all the Archbishops proposing that as a protest against the religious regulations to be enforced on August 1st, all Catholic services be suspended and priests withdrawn from the churches on July 31.—*Reuter's American Service.*

CIGARETTES FROM MACAO.

LARGE SEIZURE ON TAI SHAN.

Concealed in a consignment of bamboo brushes, the police this morning made a seizure of some 12,000 cigarettes on the s.s. Tai-shan.

The cigarettes were good quality, of B. A. T. manufacture, and the discovery was one of the biggest for some time. No arrests have been made.

The price of cigarettes in Macao makes smuggling an attractive and profitable venture, and it is said that the traffic is very extensive.

Mr. Leonard Yates and Mr. H. A. R. Conant were amongst the passengers who arrived here from Manila by the s.s. President Madison.

DEATH OF REV. J. A. B. COOK.

DOYEN OF MISSIONARIES IN MALAYA.

News has reached Singapore of the death of the Rev. J. A. B. Cook, formerly of the Presbyterian Mission at Singapore, at Malacca, Italy on July 13.

The late Mr. Cook, who was born at South Shields, in 1854, was a very well-known figure in Singapore up to the time of his retirement last year, and was the doyen of Malayan missionaries, having spent 42 years in this country.

He spoke one of the Chinese dialects fluently, and took an active part in missionary work among the Chinese in the Colony and Johore, the congregation at the Prinsep Street Church being his particular charge for many years.

He opened churches and schools in Singapore and Johore, helped to reconstitute the Presbyterian Church at Penang and was the founder of the church at Kuala Lumpur. He was one of the founders of the Y.M.C.A. movement in Malaya, and was a keen social worker.

He was a frequent contributor to the local press, and was the author of several books, including *Sunny Singapore*, *Apu Suka Tuan*, *St. Thomas Stamford Raffles*, etc.

Mrs. Pierrepont, wife of Mr. J. D. Pierrepont, manager of the Oriental Telephone and Electric Company at Singapore, is a daughter of the late Mr. Cook. Mrs. Jeanne Cook, whom the deceased married in 1882, died in 1923, and Mr. Cook married at home last year a lady by whom he is survived.

BOMBAY EMBEZZLEMENT CASE.

POINT IN FAVOUR OF ACCUSED.

Bombay, June 30.

The High Court was crowded when separate but concurring judgments were pronounced by Mr. Justices Fawcett and Madgokar, on the application on behalf of L. Evans, the accused in the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation "embezzlement case, now in police custody.

Their Lordships unanimously held that an accused person in police custody was entitled to the privilege of consulting a legal adviser even when the police enquiry was in progress.

The Government Pleader, who vehemently opposed the application yesterday, informed their Lordships to-day that the police were willing to give Evans facilities for an interview with his Counsel, provided the interview took place in the presence of the police, though the police would not listen to the interview.

Mr. Justice Fawcett observed that the police had no right to detain a prisoner under trial from reasonable access to a legal adviser. In days gone by the police were accustomed to put obstacles in the way of an accused person, but the principle could not be maintained to-day, declared the Judge.

QUEEN'S THEATRE.

"LILIES OF THE FIELD."

There is at present being shown at the Queen's Theatre a most attractive picture entitled "Lilies of the Field." This should have been screened last Tuesday and Wednesday, but had to be postponed on account of the conditions prevailing. It is an excellent film, which can be thoroughly recommended, and amongst the all-star cast are Constance Talmadge, Corinne Griffiths and Charles Murray.

To-morrow and Wednesday, "Wild Justice" will be screened. This is notable for the work of Peter the Great, a famous wonder dog.

"With Potash and Perlmutter in Hollywood" will be shown from Thursday to Saturday, and this should draw big houses. The leading roles will be taken by Alexander Carr and George Sidney.

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MOSQUITOES' CHOICE.

SAID TO PREFER BLONDES.

By Dr. Leonard Williams.

During a long, unlovely spring, we are apt to forget that summer has its drawbacks no less than winter. And these drawbacks affect the blonde more heavily than the brunette. Insects, for example, though they have less than no claim to be considered gentlemen, proverbially prefer blondes.

It has always seemed to me to be a serious reproach to pharmacists and others engaged in the drug industry, that up to the present nothing has been placed upon the market which will certainly protect fair skins from the intolerable attentions of midges and gnats, mosquitoes, *et id genus omne*. I am aware that a great many concoctions are loudly vaunted as efficacious in this respect. They seem to consist for the most part of essential oils, whose vapours are believed to be disagreeable to insects, but my own experience, and that of my friends, goes to show that not only do these oils fail most lamentably to keep off the insects, but they actually attract them.

A War-Time Invasion.

It is high time something was done about it. I have heard it said that since the war the bites of these insects are much more virulent in their effects than they used formerly to be. It is known that the parasite which gives rise to malaria inhabits the person of a particular brand of mosquito, that the parasite arrives there because the mosquito has bitten a human being afflicted with malaria, and in so doing has sucked the parasite into his body. The said mosquito is then able to confer its malarial benefits upon human beings for the rest of its natural life.

Now the suggestion is that the war brought a very large number of malarious persons into Europe generally and into the British Isles in particular, with the result that the erstwhile harmless brand of British mosquito or gnat is now in a position to introduce the malarial poison into a person without putting that person to the trouble of going to the Tropics to acquire the disease.

A Rich Man's Opportunity.

And the suggestion goes further, to the effect, namely, that during the war the British brand of mosquito was fed on delectables other than the malarial parasite, some of which were particularly full flavoured, and that although the war is over, the appetite for full-flavoured delectables remains,

TOWN PLANNING.

A MODEL SCHEME IN KENT.

Rugby, July 25.

The model town-planning scheme which has been initiated in East Kent in connection with the development of new coalfields, was the subject of a conference yesterday at which seventeen local authorities interested in preserving the amenities of life were represented. The scheme aims at encouraging a new industry without destroying the natural beauty of the vicinity of the new pits and, already, a considerable sum of money has been guaranteed by the State for the enterprise and the work of building new towns has been begun. Eight of these are in contemplation if the pits prove as successful as is hoped. In such a case, it is anticipated that the discovery of coal and iron stone in East Kent will mean the immigration of 278,000 new residents, or the doubling of the present population.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Minister of Health, who attended yesterday's conference, commended those responsible for the foresight that was being displayed and he regretted that in earlier days development was allowed to proceed without plan or thought with the result that immense sums were to-day being spent on repairing the terrible errors of the past. At no time was there a greater need for town planning in England than now, where housing development on recently constructed roads was proceeding at a rate never before known.—*British Wireless.*

with the result that a gnat-bite is now liable to be a much more formidable affair than it ever was before the war.

There may or may not be some truth in these suggestions, but the fact remains that at their very best gnat-bites are exceedingly unpleasant things, and at their worst quite dangerous things.

Here, it seems to me, is an opportunity for a real philanthropist. A substantial prize offered to the discoverer of a certain means for warding off the attentions of gnats would almost certainly be followed by the discovery of such means, and the discovery would confer immense benefits not only upon the present generation, but upon all those who in future might otherwise have their summer seasons spoiled by these irritating and dangerous pests.

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CHINESE DELEGATES REPLY.

CONDITIONS FOR LIFTING THE BOYCOTT.

The text of the Chinese proposal at the boycott conference last Wednesday, following their reply to the British statement read at a former sitting, is given below. They intimated that the Nationalist Government would abide by the finding of an impartial court of inquiry and hoped the British delegates would take the same attitude.

The following, dated July 21, appeared in the issue of the Canton Gazette for July 23.

The Conference resumed this morning (Wednesday) at 10.30 when the Chinese delegation replied to the British statement read at the last sitting on July 19. This was followed by the Chinese delegation outlining two proposals in the following terms:

Chinese Proposals.

"Since the Chinese delegation affirm that the British are in the wrong on the three points stated in our first statement, namely, (1) the Shamen-Shakee shooting, (2) the Blockade of Canton by Hongkong, and (3) the Refusal of Negotiation implied in the summary rejection of the demands formulated by the Nationalist Government immediately after the shooting, and since the British delegation deny being in the wrong, it is clear that this Conference must entrust a third party in the form of an impartial court of enquiry to decide the controversial issue involved. The Nationalist Government will abide by the findings of an impartial court of enquiry. We hope that the British delegation will take the same attitude.

To End the Boycott.

"If, however, the British delegation is desirous, without waiting for further enquiry, of bringing about the resumption of normal relations between Hongkong and the territories of the Nationalist Government (Kuangtung, Kuangsi, Hunan) as quickly as possible, the Chinese delegation likewise desirous of resuming such relations at the earliest date, propose that the burden arising from an immediate settlement of the Anti-British Boycott be shared by both parties. That burden is: (1) The Chinese people who have sustained the boycott for a year must be given adequate guarantees that in the future there will be no repetition of the action of June 23, 1925. These guarantees lie in regulating the garrisoning of the Shamen and in regulating the navigation and stationing of British gunboats on the river system of the territories of the Nationalist Government. (2) The bereaved families of the dead and the wounded on June 23, 1925, have to be consoled and compensated on the basis of full justice. And (3) The large unemployment in consequence of the break of normal relations between Hongkong and Kuangtung, which has been a serious problem and continues to be one, requires large sums of money to be raised for its solution in order to remove serious obstacles in the way of a resumption of normal relations between the Colony and the territories of the Nationalist Government.

Serious Concessions.

"It is clear that if both sides are actuated by the same desire to arrive at an amicable settlement, both sides must be prepared to make serious concessions."

British Rejection.

In reply to the first proposal for an impartial court of enquiry, the British delegation stated that they would have to consult their Government. And as regards the second proposal for a sharing of the burden arising from an immediate settlement of the Anti-British Boycott, they rejected the same and categorically declared that no settlement involving the payment of compensation could be entertained by them.

The Chinese delegation thereupon proposed that, pending the holding of the suggested court of enquiry, a loan might be raised, partly through its own resources and partly by Hongkong, to enable the Nationalist Government to meet the heavy financial burden involved in an immediate settlement of the Anti-British Boycott, and that the Hongkong section of such loan would also be repaid if the court of enquiry decided in favour of the British. This proposal was also rejected by the British delegation.

A British Proposal.

The Chinese delegation then inquired if the British delegation had any proposal to make. The latter stated that they were prepared to agree to a settlement of the dispute in the form of an industrial loan for the development of the Port of Whampoa conditional on the construction of the loopline connecting the Canton-Hankow and Canton-Kowloon railways and provisions of control similar to those in the Canton-Kowloon Railway Agreement regarding the employment of a British Engineer-in-chief and a British Chief-Accountant. The British delegation intimated that they were ready to consider alternative industrial enterprises like the building of a railway to Blas Bay or to Swatow. The Chinese delegation replied that they would have to take time to consider this British proposal.

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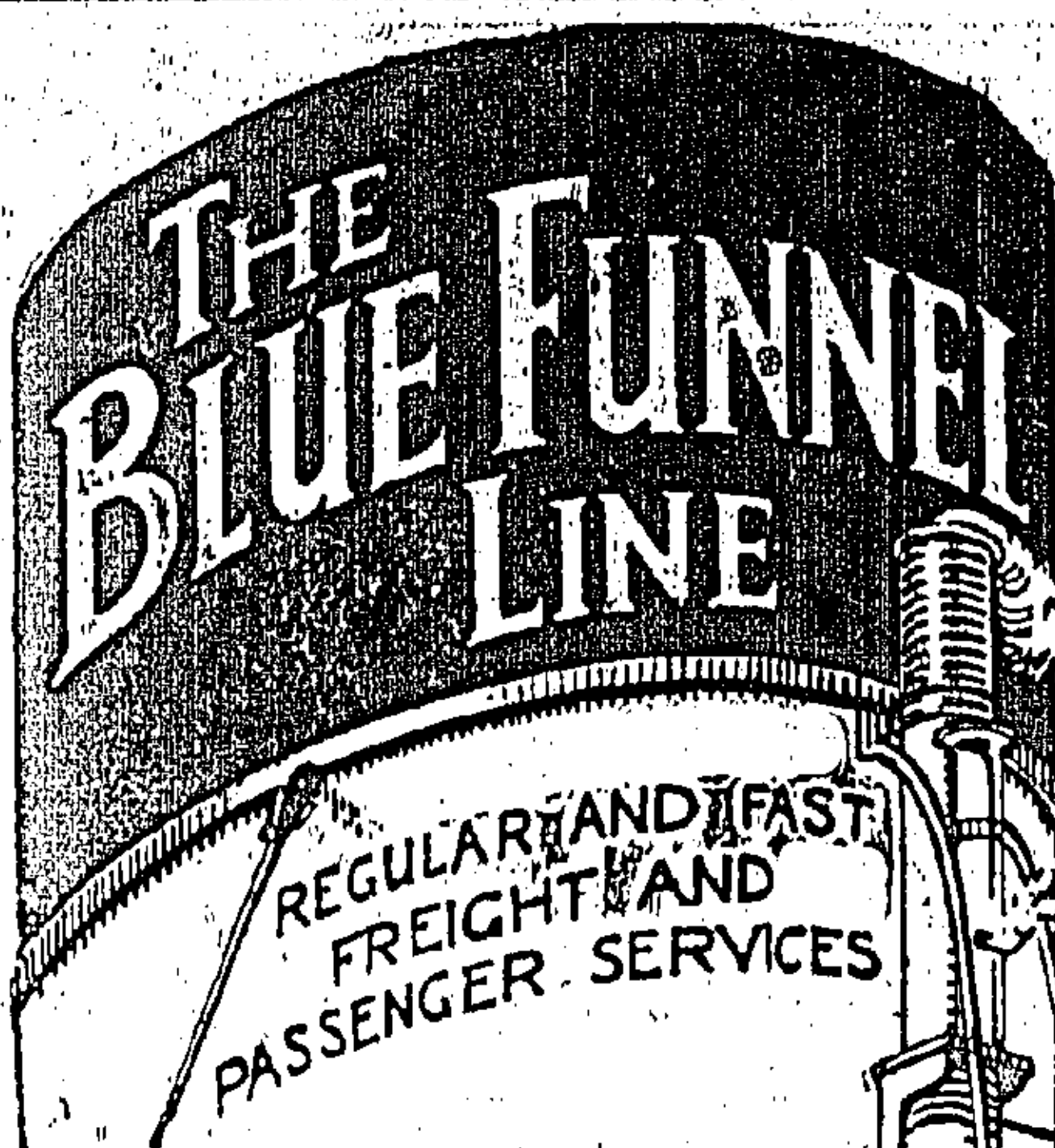
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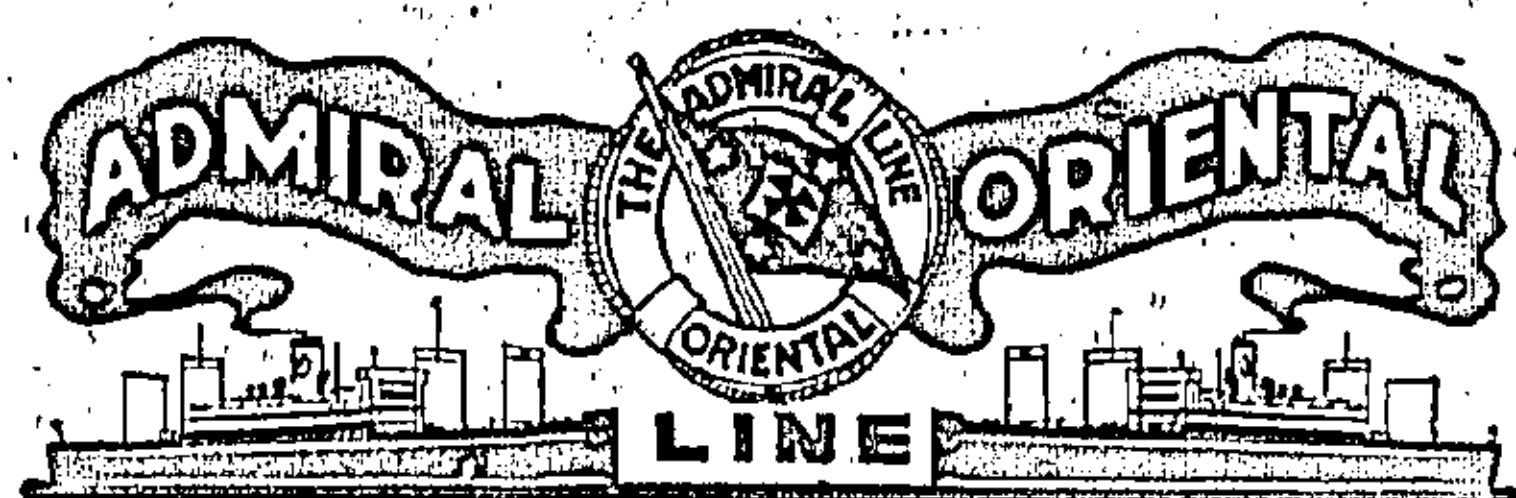
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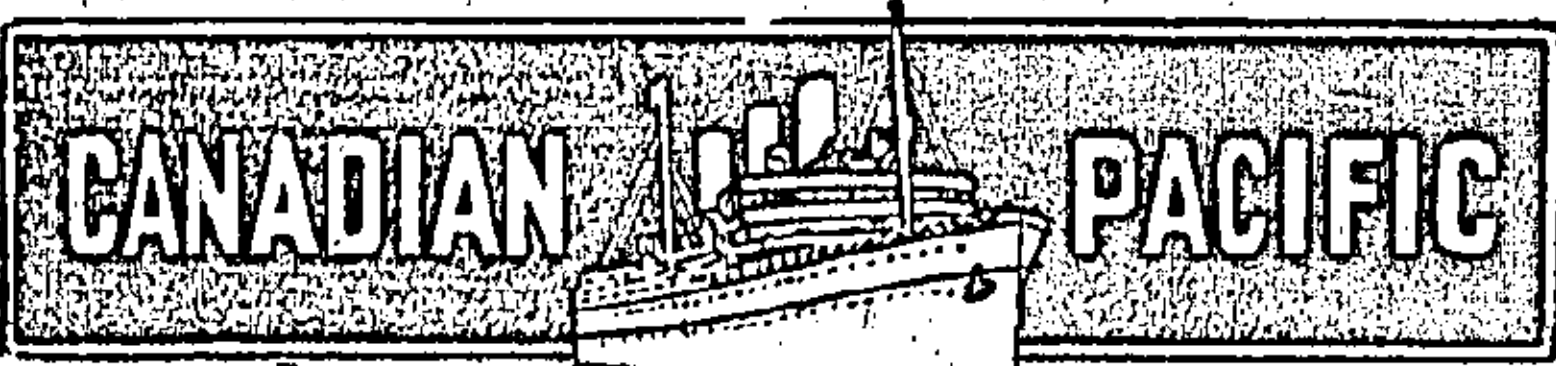
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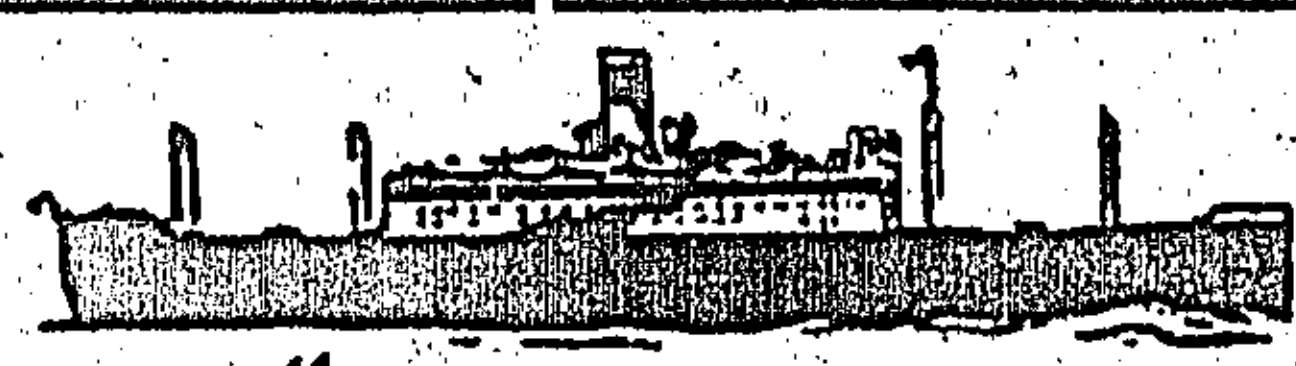
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A STRAIGHT TALK.

AMERICAN MINISTER REPLIES TO CANTON.

Peking, July 24.

The following is the reply which the American Legation is instructing the American Consul-General in Canton to make to the communication from Mr. Eugene Chen addressed to him on July 14:

"The American Minister has read with much interest your note of July 14 addressed to me respecting the resumption of the special Tariff Conference in Peking, which I brought to his attention as requested.

Disheartening.

"In this relation Mr. Macmurray has stated that your strong opposition to the resumption of the Conference on behalf of the Canton regime, as well as similar protests from representatives of other regions in China, both before and since the inauguration of the Conference, are evidence of the disheartening lack of unanimity among the Chinese people in respect of the efforts of the Government of the United States, jointly with other friendly Powers concerned, to carry out its purpose of bringing into effect certain readjustments of its Treaty relations with China—a lack of unanimity which gives him serious concern, particularly at a moment when there exists no Central Government supported by all sections in China and recognised by the interested Powers, with which to deal on the basis of mutuality of responsibilities such as my Government so earnestly desires to see established.

To Benefit China.

"The American Minister believes that it is scarcely necessary to observe that in any fiscal and other readjustments of Treaty relationships with China, the object which his Government has in view is to benefit China as a whole and not any individual military or political faction.

"In conclusion, Mr. Macmurray expresses his appreciation of the value of receiving information from various sections in China such as that afforded by your note of July 14 in regard to questions of mutual concern to that country as a whole and the United States."

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FRENCH COALITION CABINET.

"MINISTRY OF THE FRANC."

Paris, July 24.

Few Cabinets have received such a general blessing as that bestowed by the morning newspapers on M. Poincare's so-called "Ministry of the Franc." There is a general sigh of relief that a Government has at last been formed which looks like weathering the storm and solving the financial situation. Politics for the moment are forgotten except for a few minor criticisms, such as the inclusion of M. Herriot and M. Painleve in the Cabinet.

The opinion, however, is in no way unanimous in forecasting the Government's financial programme.

The most startling intention in this connection is attributed to M. Poincare by the newspaper *La Journal* (Democrat) that he intends to ask Parliament to agree to a prorogation for two years during which the Government will legislate by decree, the Premier's argument being that the franc cannot be cured overnight. It needs three or four years for a complete rest and relief from political strife.—Reuter.

The Programme.

Paris, July 25.

Inspired quarters have lifted the veil from the Government's financial intentions sufficiently to indicate that a two years' prorogation will not be adopted. On the contrary Parliament will probably sit until the middle of August to vote a comprehensive series of measures involving from four to five milliards of increased taxation, direct and indirect, wherein a succession of duties figure largely.

The Government has outruled capital levy, a moratorium and fresh inflation and will honour its debt agreements though it will seek a modification of the Washington Convention with a view to the insertion of transfer and safeguard clauses. Finally the stabilisation of the franc will be left until the exchange position has been remedied.—Reuter.

London, July 24.

The franc opened at 202 and improved to 200 to the £1.

Later.

The French franc closed at 197½ and the Belgian franc at 193½.—Reuter.

NO POLITICS.

NATIONAL UNION OF SEAMEN SECEDE.

London, July 25.

The National Union of Seamen, at the close of its annual meeting, decided to withdraw forthwith from the International Transport Workers' Federation and also to take a ballot on the question of disassociation from all political affiliations.—Reuter.

THE COAL OUTLOOK.

THE PROSPECTS.

Rugby, July 24.

Newspapers anticipate that within the next few days some favourable development in the coal situation will occur and hopes are entertained that debates which will take place in both Houses of Parliament on Monday may lead to re-opening of negotiations. Meanwhile it is reported that the drifting back to work by miners continues slowly but the movement is still almost entirely confined to Midlands coalfields. It is stated in Labour Circles that new terms have been prepared by Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire colliery owners upon which pits in these counties will be open next week.

The *Daily Mail* says the proposed new terms, which have been prepared with the approval of the owners' national organization, will give the miners a wide range of choice. Offers will be framed in such a way that rates of wages which can be paid for seven hours, seven and a half hours and eight hours a day can be studied by men.

The Churches.

Bishops and Free Church leaders have issued a statement in which their efforts to effect a settlement of the coal dispute are reviewed and a further appeal is made to the Government to consider proposals already laid before the Prime Minister. They point out that these terms which follow closely those of the Coal Commission's reports and the Samuel Memorandum, which the Trade Unions Council approved during the general strike, have been already accepted by the Miners' Federation Executive. In mining districts these terms have been criticised on the ground that failing settlement by negotiation they provide for the setting up of a joint arbitration board with an independent chairman. Reorganisation of the industry is advocated by church leaders and meets with little opposition. The chief objection by the Government to the proposals is that they are based on further subsidy for continuance of pre-strike rates of pay during the four months' period allotted to negotiations. The Church leaders' statement will be emphasised from church pulpits throughout the country to-morrow.—British Wireless.

SILENCE TO REIGN.

AMERICANS AND THE LOAN CONTROVERSY.

Washington, July 24.

It is announced that the Treasury will not continue the argument as to whether the loans to Great Britain in war time were for commercial purposes.

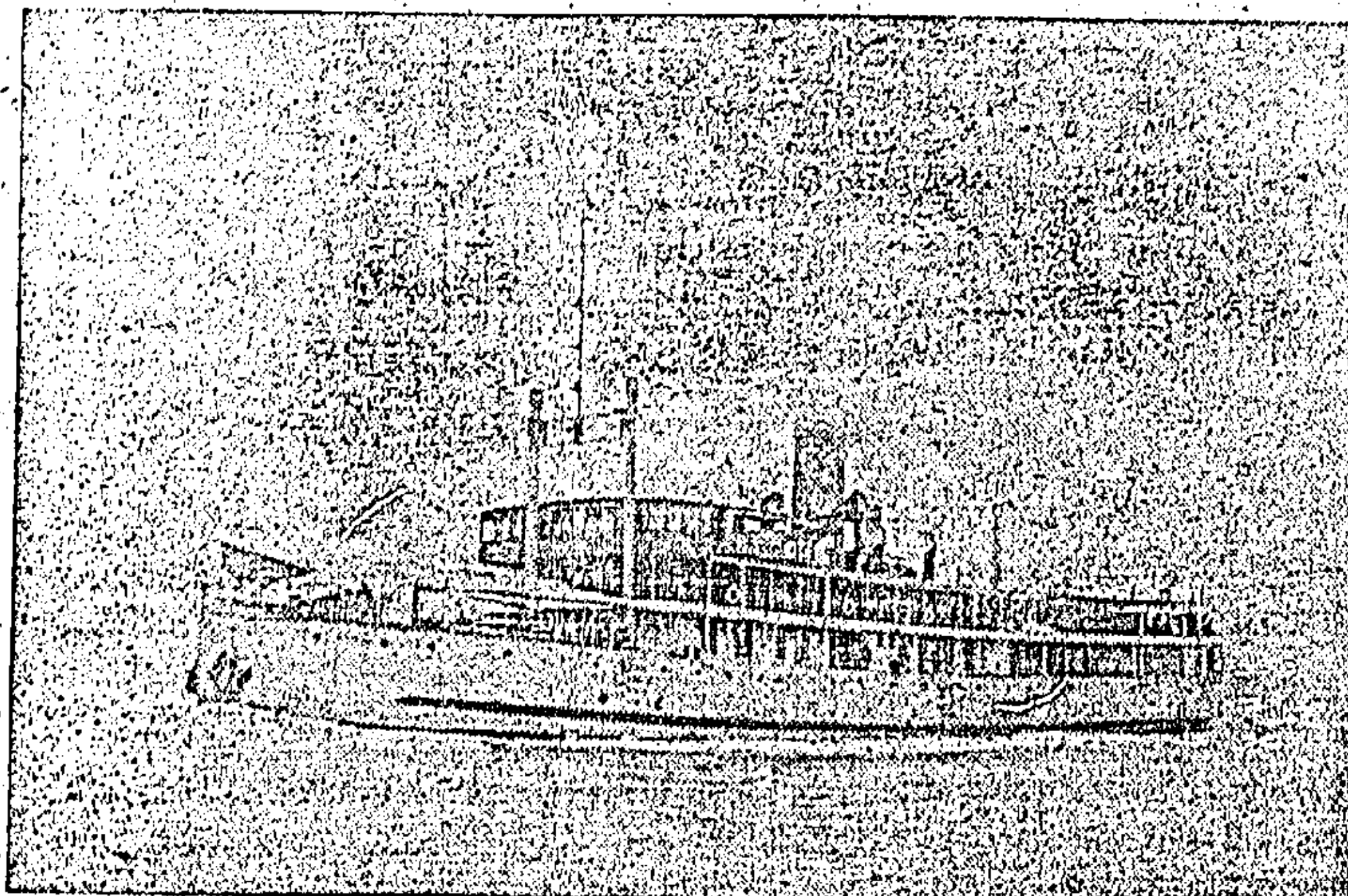
Mr. Garrard B. Winston, Acting Secretary to the Treasury, reiterates that this is so.—Reuter's American Service.

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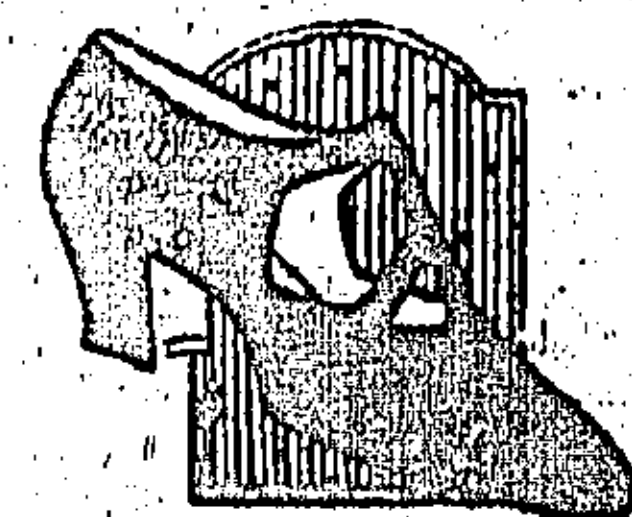
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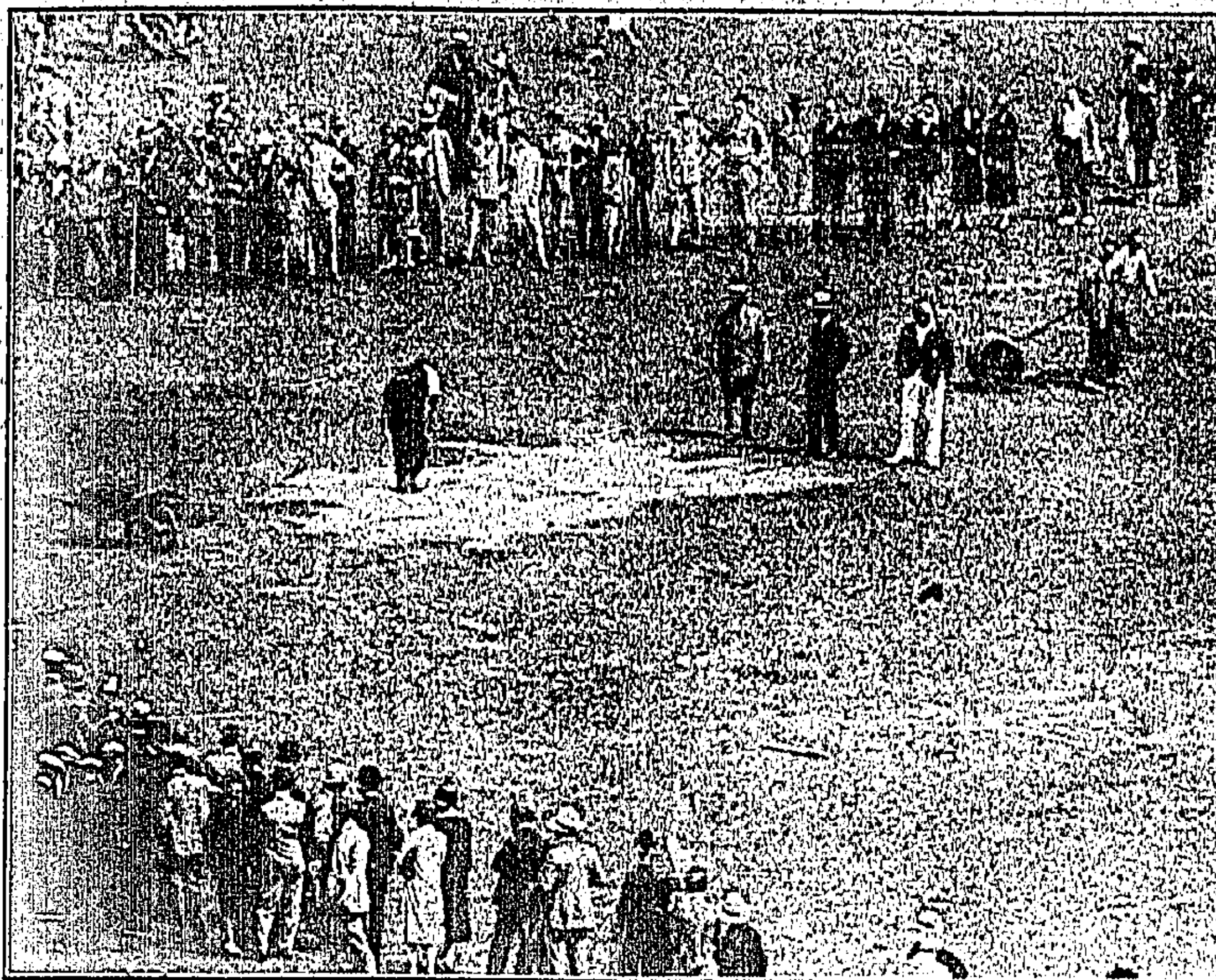
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NIGHT MYSTERY OF THE TEST MATCH PITCH.



The English and Australian captains, Carr (in flannels) and Collins, watching sawdust being strewn on the turf at Lords, where during the night, the pitch was badly affected by someone leaving a hose-pipe running.

HOTEL INCIDENT.

(Continued from Page 1).

The first time he served the Professor was on that night. He had seen him elsewhere in the dining room previous to the 20th.

Professor Langsner:—He was asking for \$60. When I did not agree to this, why should he go up to the Court?

His Worship (to witness):—Why the necessity for going to Court since you put in a claim for compensation?

Witness:—The next day he refused to pay compensation. For that reason I took out this summons.

\$5 or \$60?

Mr. Robertson, Assistant Manager of the Hotel, said that in the interview the defendant admitted that he pushed the boy, and was sorry for what had happened and offered \$5 compensation. This amount was refused by the boy, who said that he wanted to see a doctor.

Witness heard the defendant express his regrets over the incident to the boy and also heard him offer to pay the doctor's bill. The matter ended that evening, but the following morning, in the office, a bill was submitted by the boy for medicinal expenses, and the amount of this bill was \$60.

Defendant refused to pay the amount when sent for, but later came back to witness stating that he wanted to settle the bill by paying the amount stated therein. He intimated that he would send his secretary down with the money. Defendant again changed his mind by the time the boy was sent for, and he refused to pay any money.

Speaking of the character of the boy, Mr. Robertson bore out Mr. Wadeson's statement as to his length of service and the excellent character he had always had. There was never a word of complaint during the whole of this period, and witness expressed himself as surprised when he was informed of the incident.

The Magistrate:—You must agree, I think, that \$60 was exorbitant?

His Worship pointed out that the amount was contained in one bill submitted, not several bills, as witness stated.

THE BLOW.

Another boy from the Hotel corroborated on the evidence of assault, and said that the blow knocked the complainant into a sitting position on the floor of the verandah.

Professor Langsner:—For what kind of business should I throw the book down?

Witness:—I can't suggest any reason.

I told him to go away from my table several times?—Yes.

How many times did I tell him to go away?—Many times.

After that he wouldn't go away, so I pushed him away?—No, it was the blow which knocked him over.

OBJECTION TO JAZZ.

Professor Langsner elected to make his statement from the witness box. Before giving evidence, by way of preface he said that he was not touring the world for the

PAPERS CEASE.

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newspapers to be out before five o'clock every morning, in addition to a number of unreasonable suggestions, including the publication of names of subscribers who have failed to pay their bills after a certain period of grace.

Under the new rates, the newspapers and the dealers would have eventually benefited, but the few party organs, being subsidised by a powerful political machine, do not have to depend on regular income for their maintenance; and the discontinuance of any non-partisan newspaper, unable to continue, would remove so much competition with the subsidised organs.

DUTCH QUEEN.

COMPLETELY RECOVERED.

Berg, July 25.

The Queen of the Netherlands has completely recovered and is leaving for home to-morrow.

Reuter.

more purpose of striking table-boys. He arranged to have a special table for lunch, and because the jazz music did not agree with him and he wanted to be the greatest possible distance away from it, he also arranged to have a special table for dinner when this "jazz" was played.

In accordance with this arrangement, he took the special table for dinner that night, but before he was actually seated with his secretary, up strode the boy, who, in a peremptory tone, ordered him away from it.

"BOLSHEVNIK" TREATMENT.

He was under the British flag, continued the Professor, and here he was being subjected to treatment which appeared to him to be Bolshevik. He had paid to be served well in the Hongkong Hotel and he was being treated in an insulting manner. He called for the management, and because he did this and because matters would turn out serious for the boy by the taking of this measure, witness stated that the boy immediately sensed his *fata morgue* when he was peremptory, and became completely subservient and kept on asking witness what he would like to have for his dinner. Because of this importunity, witness admitted that he lost his "temperature" and pushed the boy away from him. He was upstaged at the result, as the boy fell down—"the poor fellow," commented the Professor.

Why he was later induced to change his mind in the matter of compensation was because he met a friend, Mr. Bagram, in the Hotel, who, after listening to the story, advised him strongly against paying even a cent. Mr. Bagram agreed that it was "Bolshevistic treatment."

Witness, in conclusion, said he would not have minded giving as much as \$100 to a woman and her child to save them from starving, but paying \$60 to the boy in a matter in which he (the Professor) was the insulted party—that was not to be thought of. The case was adjourned to enable Professor Langsner to bring his witnesses.

DULL PARLIAMENT.

BRIGHTER POLITICS FOR GERMANY.

For some time past the President of the German Reichstag, Herr Paul Loebe, himself one of the ablest of the Parliamentarians of the Fatherland, has been considering how best dullness can be driven out of Parliamentary proceedings. And the German Parliament certainly needs "cheering up." It is undoubtedly the dullest assembly of its kind in the world.

There is no such thing as a real debate. Speeches are carefully written out beforehand and are delivered as though by short-sighted professors to classes of scholars.

There are probably not a dozen deputies who can get up on the spur of the moment and make an effective speech.

Herr Loebe himself is one of the few who can do so. As it is, therefore, no attention is paid to what the previous speaker has said, and the whole proceedings are simply composed of recitations of prepared essays.

Types of Oratory.

Herr Loebe suggests that no speech should exceed half an hour.

Deputies he thinks, should get into the habit of criticising a speaker on the spot, and the speaker should have to reply immediately. Then there would be something like a debate.

Ministers are the worst offenders. They never speak except from a typewritten sheet. In most cases their statements are prepared by secretaries, and the Minister does not see them till he gets up to read out what has been written.

Herr Loebe also proposes "that this House go into committee," a procedure still unknown here, and he would like members to get into the habit of rising "to a point of order."

The Age of Eloquence.

Now that Herr Loebe has made these proposals, suggestions are being put forward from other quarters. One is to reduce the number of members, for, though Germany is smaller than she was before the war, she has to support about a hundred more Reichstag members.

Another suggestion is that a "too old at 65" rule should be introduced and that members should retire automatically at that age. This suggestion does, not, however, gain much support, as there are few "young hopefuls" in Parliament here, and the most prominent men are nearly all round about the three score years' and ten.

ANOTHER SURRENDER.

AMERICAN SUBWAY STRIKERS GIVE IN.

New York, July 24.

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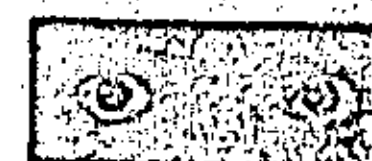
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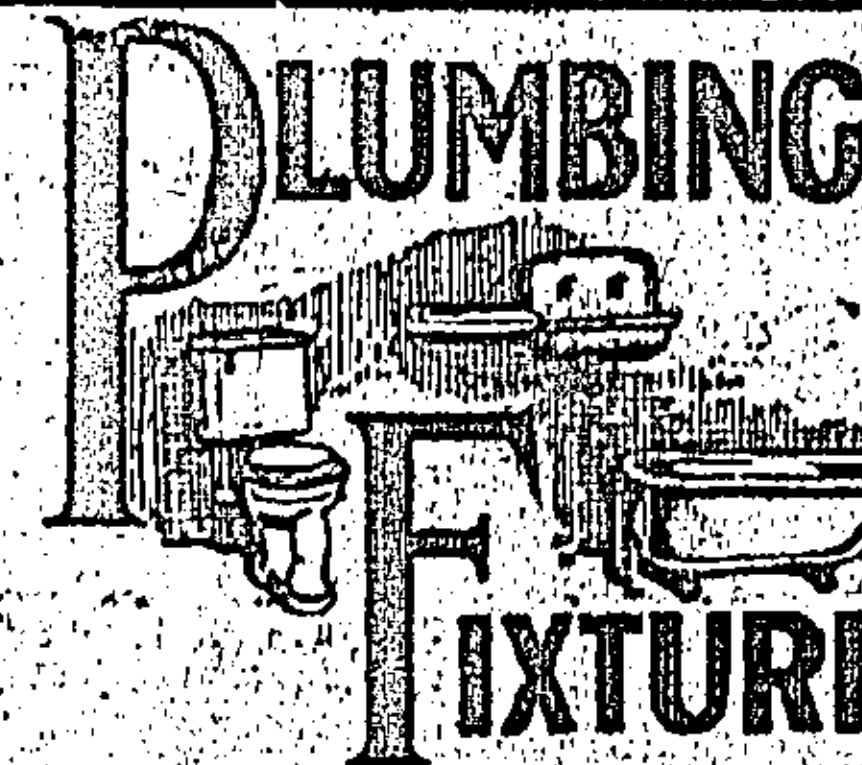
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